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UAW Votes To Support USW-CIO

FREMONT, May 20—Support was voted the United Steel Workers, CIO, in their attempt to break the little steel formula by 175 delegates to the Auto Workers Regional Conference held in this city today.

Representing more than 55,000 members of the UAW-CIO in Northwestern Ohio, the delegates to the conference were unanimous in condemning the little steel formula and in voting their support to the Steel Workers.

The Fremont conference which was called by Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO Regional Director, spent considerable time in discussing political action. Plans were made by the conference to set up political action committees in each Local in the region. Orville Beemer attached to Director Gosser's office was named to coordinate the political action committees and directed to call a regional meeting for political action as soon as expedient.

CIO Program Supported

Unanimous support was given the national CIO Political Action Committee headed by Sidney Hillman. A resolution was passed for the setting up of political action in the 24 Locals throughout the region. Cities represented were Toledo, Fremont, Port Clinton, Sandusky, Marion, Fostoria, Lima and [illegible].

Other resolutions passed by the conference called for a Price Control Act without the crippling amendments proposed by the Smith congressional committee, and with adequate funds for enforcement; support of the International UAW position with respect to returning war veterans; condemnation of the War Labor Boards' action in forcing labor unions to pay the cost of arbitration before initial contracts have been signed and recommendation of a constitutional amendment abolishing the poll tax.

WBL Criticized

Occupying a large portion of the conference time was the War Labor Board. Sharp criticism of the Board was voiced by many delegates, principally because of the long delays in getting Board decisions, and because management gets the decision before the workers. Another source of irritation to the delegates was the great difference which exist

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A Tale About Texas

AUSTIN, Tex., May 20 (FP)—When the union man of today is a gray-bearded grandfather and his son's sons ask for a story, could be he'll tell them about the good people of Texas, how they organized, got moving and gave the ax to political badmen like Martin Dies.

Maybe he'll tell them this one about the convention meeting of Ward 2-C Democrats of Austin, held at Windsor Road fire hall and the resolution they passed "regretting the existence of W. Lee O'Daniel in American public life."

The resolution was introduced by a man named Herman Jones. He wanted the meeting to go on record simply "regretting the existence" of O'Daniel. At first the 43 Democrats present just laughed—almost split their sides laughing. Whoever heard of regretting the existence of a senator? But Jones insisted he really meant it. He amended the resolution, adding the words "in American public life."

"I'm serious about this thing," Jones said. "So far as I'm concerned he represents all that's evil." His listeners thought about it, looked at one another, slowly nodded their heads—and the resolution carried over only a few scattered votes of dissent.

Right after that the delegates passed another resolution. This one contained nothing but words of praise. It asked President Roosevelt to accept the nomination for a fourth term.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

CIO To Organize 12th Ward

Ward 12 will be the next political subdivision for political action, according to Tom Burke, secretary of the CIO Political Action Committee. A meeting has been arranged for Thursday, June 1, at 8 p. m., which will be held at Local 14, UAW-CIO, 835 W. Central Ave.

All members of the CIO and others interested in their political organization are urged to attend this meeting. Speakers will outline the CIO plans for political action and ward and precinct chairmen will be elected.

Washington and Adams Townships and Ward 11 have been organized and are getting their organizations perfected looking to the fall election.

Entertainment will be furnished following the meeting.

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Teamsters For Fourth Term

NEW YORK (FP)—Following the lead of International President Daniel J. Tobin, Joint Council 16, International Brotherhood of Teamsters (AFL), has pledged its 70,000 members to join the Roosevelt fourth-term movement.

ACW Want World Labor Congress

CHICAGO, May 20 (FP) — Prompt convening of the world labor congress either in Canada or the U. S. was urged by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers (CIO) convention here.

The conference, originally scheduled to meet in London June 5, was called off because of the impending invasion of Europe based in England. Delegates adopted the only way labor can assume a major role at the peace table is by presenting a united program "which will go much farther than even the program of our administration."

While the International Labor Organization conference in Philadelphia worked out "a fairly good program," absence of CIO and Russian delegates prevented the ILO meeting from truly representing international labor, Hillman asserted.

"While our great secretary of state, Mr. Hull, meets with Mr. Molotov, and our great President meets with Mr. Stalin, some of our people say 'but we must not meet with the representatives of labor from Russia,'" Hillman said, referring to the AFL's refusal to attend the world labor congress because of Russia's participation. "You cannot achieve the task of organizing the power of organized labor when you leave Russia out."

CIO Petitions Congress

Petitions have been circulated throughout many CIO shops in the city asking Congress to adopt legislation for a strong Office of Price Administration with adequate funds for enforcement, according to Richard Lazette, president of the Toledo Industrial Union Council.

The petition, which is addressed to the Congress of the United States, reads as follows: "Don't raise the cost of living. We want a strong OPA, and urge you to provide adequate funds for vigorous enforcement . We request you to fight all crippling amendments to the Price Control Act.'

Asked To Sign

President Lazette said that all CIO members in the city will not only be asked to sign the petitions themselves, but are urged to take the petitions to their friends, neighbors and relatives to sign. "Unless we show congress our interest in maintaining economic stability during the war, there is a grave possibility that we may all suffer from an unsatisfactory control act which doesn't really control," said Mr. Lazette.

Many crippling amendments have already been proposed to the Price Control Act which would render it of doubtful value when passed. Inadequate control would bring about a dangerous inflation which in effect would constitute a wage cut for millions of American workers, according to CIO authorities.

To Send Petitions

When the petitions have been filled, they will be returned to the CIO Council to be forwarded to Congress. Those who are circulating the petitions are urged to return the filled petitions as soon as possible as the new law must be enacted before June 30, when the present Price Control Act expires.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Local 12 Member Serving In England

A NINTH AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND DEPOT, England—Handling the many types of chemicals needed for the gas defense of one of the Ninth Air Force Service Commands depots is a trifle different from mixing paint, but Corporal Leon A. Modrowski, of Toledo, Ohio, does his part for the Ninth Air Force, one of the components of the Allied Expeditionary Air Force, now blasting the German Reich.

Corporal Modrowski ,the son of Mrs. Nettie Modrowski of 2839 Chestnut St., Toledo, is a supply clerk in the chemical supply section of the Ninth Air Force Service Command Depot somewhere in England.

Before entering the service in November, 1942, Corporal Modrowski was employed as a paint mixer for the American Can Company, Toledo, Ohio.

Taft, Wherry Lead Drive To Knife OPA

WASHINGTON (FP) — Sen. Robert Taft (R. O.) and Sen. Kenneth S. Wherry, the Republican whip of Nebraska, were heading up the new drive to sink OPA and price control under avalanche of amendments on May 17. Joining them in support of the plan are the National Grange, the American Farm Bureau Federation, the Natl. Council of Farmer Cooperatives and the Natl. Cooperative Milk Producers' Federation. The senate bill, which must be passed before June 30, is expected out of the Banking & Currency committee next week.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Wright Acquitted Of Agent Charge

NEW YORK—(FP)—Frederick Heizer Wright, New York Daily News copy editor charged with acting as a secret paid agent of the Japanese government in the 10-year period ending with the attack on Pearl Harbor, was acquitted in federal court here.

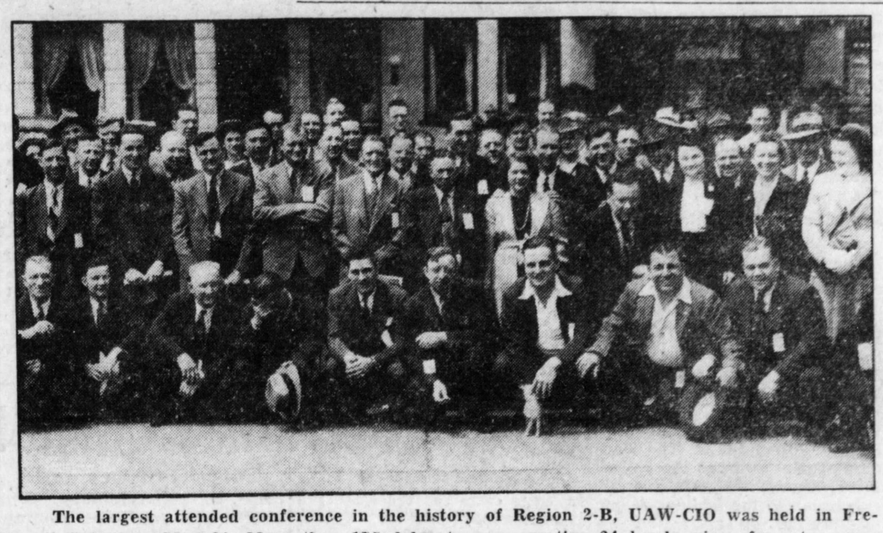
The jury, many of whom were Daily News readers, acquitted the editor after less than four hours deliberation. Wright is known to labor here as an enemy of the win-the-war policies of the Newspaper Guild of New York (CIO).

TUNE IN

If you want to hear a labor program that's different, tune in each Sunday at 12:30 p. m. and hear "Labor Views and News" over radio station WTOL. You'll like it. Besides it is sponsored by Local 12.

CIO Stages Largest Conference

Labor Fighting Against Changes in NLRB



The largest attended conference in the history of Region 2-B, UAW-CIO was held in Fremont Saturday, May 20. More than 175 delegates representing 24 local unions from ten communities in northwestern Ohio discussed their problems and laid down a program of political action for all UAW Locals in the Region to follow.

Murray Pleads Against Employer Use of Agency

WASHINGTON, May 20 (FP)—In the greatest display of a united labor position since 1937, representatives of all organized workers joined May 19 in resisting a proposal by the NLRB that it amend its rules to permit filing of election petitions by employers as requested by the National Association of Manufacturers.

Joining hands with the national AFL and CIO in the determined battle against overturning the historic position of the NLRB on employer petitions were the unaffiliated National Federation of Telephone Workers, the Confederated Unions of America as well as the United Mine Workers, District 50.

Proposed New Rule

The proposed rule would allow employers to call for an election if only one union was involved in the case and the employer believed there was a reasonable doubt the union still represented a majority of his workers. The rule would apply when a dispute has reached another federal agency. Although the NLRB said it was intended to apply to WLB cases, as written it would apply to any U. S. agency—the WMC or the FEPC.

Leadoff man at the hearing was CIO President Philip Murray, who said "the imposition of this rule would create more disorder, confusion, misunderstanding and lead to more strikes than anything since the creation of this board. It invites terror, invites disorder, invites fights. It is damaging to the interest of the nation and to the nation's war effort.

"This rule would give the employer the right to harass the union. Leaders of American labor have enough harassment already. Please don't take advantage of us. Please don't throw us into a national organizing crusade in the midst of a terrible war.

Thomas Suggests Name

Quickly following Murray were President R. J. Thomas of the United Auto Workers, CIO, and President Emil Rieve of the Textile Workers, CIO. Thomas suggested that if the rule was adopted the NLRB should then change its name to the National Management Relations Board.

For the AFL, Herbert S. Thatcher, associate general counsel was the first witness. He agreed with the previous witnesses and said the AFL was "primarily concerned with the effect on the war effort." He said the rule was "bound to precipitate jurisdictional differ-

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Ohio CIO Sends Out Pledge Cards

COLUMBUS, May 20—One million "Re-elect Roosevelt" pledge cards have been sent to CIO unions throughout the state by the Ohio CIO Council. The cards, when filled out, will be forwarded to President Roosevelt at the White House.

The cards, addressed to the president, which are for individual signature, urge Mr. Roosevelt to be a candidate for the presidency and pledge "full and wholehearted co-operation and assistance before, on and after election day."

It is the intention of the Ohio CIO Political Action Committee to receive one million cards for transmission to the president. Union members are requested to take the cards to their families, shops, clubs and lodges and to their neighbors and friends for their signatures.

The action of the CIO Political Action Committee in sending out the pledge cards came after CIO President Philip Murray told the Steel Workers' Convention in Cleveland on May 9 that it was his belief that "Franklin D. Roosevelt must be a candidate for re-election to the presidency of the United States, and that the overwhelming majority of the people of this nation, regardless of political affiliation, demand his re-election."

In its letter notifying the CIO unions of Ohio that the pledge cards were being sent out for signatures, CIO Secretary-Treasurer George De Nucci wrote, "We must impress upon the president that common folks everywhere are looking to him to remain as our leader and commander-in-chief."

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Dues Office Will Close Decoration Day

Local 12 dues office will be closed Decoration Day, Tuesday, May 30, according to Randolph Gray, financial secretary.

Mr. Gray stated that those wishing to pay their dues and International assessment by mail may do so. Receipt will be mailed to them upon their written request.

Last day for paying the International assessment is May 31. Those who have not paid by this day will be automatically suspended. Those who mail their assessment are warned to have it placed in the mailbox in sufficient time to be given a postmark prior to midnight, May 31.

Unions Want Congress To Broadcast

SEATTLE (FP)—In the interest of "restoring government to the people," Local 6, Building Service Employes International Union (AFL), called on Congress to broadcast its proceedings over nation-wide hookups. The local urged other unions to take similar action and voted to place the proposal before all political parties with the suggestion that it be made part of their platform.

Ohio Penalizes Gifts To Willys Soldiers

State Sales Tax Division Forces Cigarette Payments

Members of Willys-Overland Unit, Local 12, UAW-CIO, are up in arms over the action of the Ohio State Sales Tax Division in assessing the Unit several thousand dollars in taxes for cigarettes which were purchased in Michigan and enclosed in boxes mailed to more than two thousand union members now serving in the army.

Willys' welfare committee, which has charge of mailing the gift boxes each month, stated that the Ohio Sales Tax Division ruled that the tax on cigarettes must be paid regardless of the fact that they were purchased out of the state. They point out that any resident of Ohio may go into Michigan and purchase cigarettes, bringing them across the state line without paying the tax and are protesting to the state that they are being discriminated against.

Prisoners Don't Pay

At the same time that the Sales Tax Division is forcing the Willys Unit to pay tax on the cigarettes, it is not attempting to collect tax on cigaretes sold or sent to Italian war prisoners at Camp Perry. "It looks to me," said one member of the committee, "that the Italian prisoners in Camp Perry, some of whom have possibly killed our American boys in Italy, are more important than our fellows who are fighting the war all over the world to make it possible for Ohio to continue to collect taxes."

Col. H. D. Wolley informed the UNION JOURNAL that the prisoners at Camp Perry, who earn eighty cents a day, have no other place to spend their money except at the camp PX, and that they purchase their cigarettes there without paying the Ohio State Sales Tax. The reason the tax is not paid to Ohio is because Camp Perry is federal property and the federal government pays no state tax.

Appeals Made

Appeals which have been made to the State Sales Tax Division to refund the tax money already paid have been without results and Willys Unit is planning on renting a store room on the Ohio-Michigan state line where it will sell cigarettes in Michigan and from which point it will mail the servicemen's boxes.

In commenting upon the state's action in forcing the payment of the State Sales Tax on servicemen's cigarettes, Melvin

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U. S. Renews Suit Against Anaconda

NEW YORK, May 22 (FP)—The Anaconda Wire & Cable Co., which got off with a meager $10,000 fine last year for selling defective wire to the government, is in hot water again.

In a second attempt to get suitable punishment for the company, the government filed a civil suit against the firm in federal court here May 16. Charging Anaconda with using "schemes, tricks, devices and subterfuges in connection with the production of wire" between 1940 and 1942 at its Indiana plant and making and using "numerous false vouchers, certificates, affidavits and depositions," the government is seeking several million dollars in damages.

Company officials were given suspended sentences and small fines by a federal judge at Fort Wayne, Ind., on the same charges last year, despite vigorous protests by the government.

The government started its new action against the company under recently enacted legislation permitting the government to intervene in informer suits brought by private citizens or to initiate its own suit.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Martin To Broadcast

Cyrus (Toots) Martin will be the guest on the Local 12 broadcast Sunday, May 28 at 12:30 p. m. over radio station WTOL.

The weekly program "Labor Views and News" is made up of labor news of local and national interest taken from the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL. Each week a speaker is presented to discuss some important phase of the nation's activities.

Mr. Martin will discuss union organization and tell of the work which has been done by Local 12 in organizing shops in and around Toledo.

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DEAN RE-ELECTED

BAY CITY, Mich. (FP)—The Michigan Federation of Labor convention May 18 re-elected President George W. Dean, Detroit, and Secretary-Treasurer John Reid, E. Lansing.

CIO Urges Price Control Retention

Necessity for retention of price control and rationing was stressed by three speakers in a meeting at the Toledo Industrial Union Council on Thursday night. The meeting marked the beginning of Price Control Week in Toledo and throughout the nation and was addressed by H. C. Bogart, district OPA director; Jack Lane, editor of the CIO news, and Ollie Pecord, managing editor of the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL.

Mr. Bogart presented figures showing the comparison between the last war and the present conflict. Cost of all commodities expanded greatly during the last war, according to the OPA head, who pointed out that a much larger proportion of the national production output went to the civilian population than in the present war. Despite the fact that nearly half our production is going to the armed forces, our cost of living has been kept down, because of the Price Control Act, he said.

Citing the figures in comparing the cost of commodities during the last war and World War II ,Mr .Bogart stated that furniture prices rose 95 per cent during World War I, and have increased but 24 per cent during the present war. Clothing increased 107 per cent during the first 50 months of the last war; and have risen 34 per cent since World War II began.

Stating that food costs which increased 80 per cent during World War I have increased by 47 per cent since the beginning of the war. Mr. Bogart said that the increase during the present war occured prior to the "hold the line" order. Food costs have been held down since 1943 and in some instances have actually decreased.

In concluding his talk, the OPA head said that rationing and price control were part of the price that we must pay to win the war. He said that price control was an emergency measure and expressed the belief that it should be terminated with the end of the war. He said, however, that unless price control and rationing were continued for the duration of the war that an inflation would occur which would affect the country for many years.

Stating that the workers want

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LAST CHANCE

Time for paying the International Assessment is limited. Unless the assessment is paid by May 31, regardless of your dues standing, you will automatically stand suspended from membership. The assessment levied by the International Executive Board is for $1.00 for all members of record as of January 31, 1944.

Office hours—9:00 a. m. to 8:30 p. m. Mondays to Fridays.

9:00 a. m. to 8:30 p. m. Saturdays.

CLOSED ALL DAY DECORATION DAY, May 30.

CIO Committee OK's FDR For Fourth Term

CHICAGO, May 22 (FP)—Full strength of the CIO's five million members was swung into the drive to return President Roosevelt to the White House for a fourth term following his indorsement by the CIO Political Action Committee May 16. The action was taken at a special meeting of the committee here, attended by CIO President Philip Murray, Chairman Sidney Hillman and others, following similar indorsement earlier in the day by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers convention.

They know, the committee said, that "Franklin D. Roosevelt is the only man in public life today qualified to lead the nation during the next four years."

"A small but powerful minority which has fought the President at every turn during the past 11 years will redouble their attack today," the committee warned.

To combat the voices of defeatism the committee called for organization of "every shop and factory and every community" into the political action campaign for the reelection of Roosevelt.

At a press conference Murray and Hillman told reporters that the political action committee would take the offensive against those who raise "false issues of race, color or creed" in the election campaign. "We are not going to dodge race and color issues raised by our opponents," Hillman said bluntly. "With our boys dying on the battlefield to destroy fascism and Nazism, we cannot permit the things that the fascists and Nazis stand for to win out on the homefront."

ACW Convention Pledges Support To Battlefronts

CHICAGO, May 22 (FP)—Representing the men and women who make their nation's uniforms, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers (CIO) convention opened in Chicago with a dedication to the armed forces.

"The day of mankind's deliverance from the black plague of fascism is already brightening the horizon," President Sidney Hillman declared. "Our every act must be measured by a single standard: does it support and strengthen our war effort and the great offensive on which we are about to embark?"

Heartened by the retirement under pressure of Martin Dies, the defeat of Joe Starnes in Alabama and the victories of Senators Pepper and Hill, the Amalgamated president called for a decisive offensive on the homefront to elect a win-the-war congress.

Hillman, who is chairman of the CIO Political Action Committee, said labor's part in the campaign will be decisive in supporting Pres. Roosevelt's policy for speedy victory and peace and prosperity after the war. A 5-minute ovation broke loose when he appealed for the reelection of Roosevelt.

With 60,000 new members since the last convention, ACW membership stands at an alltime high of 325,000. Greetings were sent to Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, commander of the Allied invasion forces in western Europe: "Together with all of labor," the 800 delegates wired him, "we pledge ourselves to produce and supply your needs without interruption."

CIO Blames Gerard Reilly For NLRB'S Swing

WASHINGTON, May 23 (FP)—Recent decisions of the NLRB, climaxed by its proposal to permit employers to file petitions for elections which has met the unanimous opposition of all organized labor, were held to be the result of Member Gerald Reilly's influence in a resolution adopted by the executive officers of the CIO.

In a statement released May 22, the CIO said that Really is responsible for a series of NLRB decisions and rulings which "reflects a retreat from the basic policies and principles underlying the Natl. Labor Relations act and actually deprive the workers of the fundamental rights which the act was intended to guarantee to them."

Three recent actions were cited by the CIO to support its charge.

Cite Three Cases

They were the American News Co. case in which it said the board enunciated a policy which is a throwback to the days when labor unions were held to be illegal. The board assumed the right in this case to inquire into the legitimacy of action taken by the union and on that basis to deny the union members rights guaranteed them under the law.

A second case was one involving foreman and the CIO said the board had floundered so long as to provoke the recent Detroit foreman's strike. It charged that the NLRB had created a Class B citizenship for foreman . . they may not be discharged for union activity, but they have no right to organize into unions of their own choosing and bargain with their employers.

As a windup, the CIO said the third regulation threatens the existence of labor unions by permitting employers, upon the termination of contracts, to request elections if they question the majority status of the union involved. Discussing this proposal, which AFL, CIO and independent unions vigorously protested at a public hearing May 19, the CIO resolution said:

Would Provoke Strife

"In the face of labor's no strike pledge the proposed regulation would invite a wave of petitions by employers intent upon delaying bona fide collective bargaining and thereby unquestionably provoke strife and turmoil with a terrifying impact upon war production.

"It appears that the entire change in the course of conduct and administrative attitude on the part of the NLRB is due to Board Member Gerard Reilly. It is he who has determined, for whatever his reasons may be, to bring about these new policies and administrative rulings."

CIO President Philip Murray asked international unions and locals to write the NLRB members, conveying their fears of the results of the changed attitude of the board.

New York CIO To Honor D-Day

NEW YORK, May 23 — (FP) —An extensive campaign of D-Day preparations to rally labor and civilian support for the invasion of Europe was launched by the Greater New York CIO Council among its 600,000 members.

Brief labor-management shop meetings are planned for all war plants and other shops immediately on receipt of the news of the invasion. Community meetings and street rallies will follow on the night of D-Day through the cooperation of unions and community organizations. Plans for a large outdoor rally for 24 or 48 hours after the announcement of the invasion are under consideration.

All union affiliates are urged by the council to celebrate the day with pledges of even greater productive effort, launching of intensified Red Cross blood donor drives and increased contributions to the Fifth War Loan Drive and the CIO War Chest. Special messages of support will be sent to the armed forces, President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Premier Joseph Stalin. The council pledges "to make the day of invasion a day that will give full expression to the feelings of our membership on an action we have long awaited."

WAVE Weds Ship's Cook

OFFICIAL U. S. NAVY PHOTOGRAPH

When a WAVE "houseekeeper" maries a Ship's Cook, who does the cooking at home? That's a problem for Peggy Skanse, Specialist (U), third class, and Wyckleff R. Rigsby, Ship's Cook, second class, at the U. S. Naval Training Station at San Diego, Calif. They were married after a romance that began when Penny discovered Rigsby was responsible for the excellent cuisine in the WAVES' mess hall. If Rigsby is elected to supervise the culinary department at home, he'll have to learn how to pare down recipes for 1,000 servings to the correct proportions for two. This romance is very complimentary to the food served WAVES, but at Navy Recruiting Stations and Offices of Naval Officer Procurement they'll tell you the excellent cuisine is only a minor reason for enlisting in the WAVES. The important thing, they say, is that women between 20 and 36, without children under 18, can serve their country during this war in no better way than in the ranks of the WAVES.

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in wage rates for the same job classifications in the Toledo area.

Ralph Brown, International Union representative attached to Director Gosser's office presided over a question and answer period devoted to War Labor Board questions.

International representatives gave their reports for their activities during the quarter and received the unanimous approval of the delegates.

Gosser Discusses Problems

In discussing the problems of the Auto Workers, Regional Director Richard Gosser told the delegates that it was not only important that the workers receive adequate wages, but that they be protected from inflation by an effective price control act.

He discussed the special problems of many of the Locals and urged the organization to unite itself for political action and work for the election of liberal and progressive public officials who were fair to labor. He told the conference that the reactionaries now serving in congress had been duly elected, and that if they continued there it would be the fault of the workers.

Director Gosser thanked the delegates for attending the conference which was the largest ever held in Region 2-B, and urged them to work in the interest of the workers without selfish personal aims.

Judge A. V. Bauman of Sandusky Co. Common Pleas Court welcomed the delegates to Fremont and extended his wishes that labor would "continue to be tough, but not waste its efforts" in pursuing after things which might weaken it."

Local 959, UAW-CIO of this city played host to the delegates and served a luncheon and refreshments after the final session.

ACW Convention Backs 4th Term

CHICAGO, May 23, (FP)—Pres. Roosevelt was the hero of the day for the 974 delegates who turned the Amalgamated Clothing Workers (CIO) convention here into a lively, demonstrative tribute to the leaders of their union and the leaders of the United Nations.

The convention asked for the renomination and reelection of Vice-Pres. Henry A. Wallace in a separate resolution. It voted full support to the work of the CIO Political Action Committee.

Put On Show

At a great army show Amalgamated members from the fighting fronts, many of them discharged for wounds, told dramatic stories of the war in the Pacific and Mediterranean. Delegates wept openly when an army unit blew taps for ACW members killed in action.

Combining a tribute to America's fighting men and women and an appeal to citizens to make democracy work after the war is won, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt told the delegates: "Labor has done a swell job in supporting the men at the front."

The convention found union membership at a peak of 325,000. About 60,000 new members have been gained since the last convention. Points where greatest organizational strides were made are the south.

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price control continued, Ollie Pecord advocated the continuance of the Price Control Act and said that it should be given from 20 to 30 million dollars for enforcement. He pointed out the inequalities which exist because of the little steel formula and predicted that unless an adequate price control act was provided by Congress that there would be serious inflation resulting in hardship for the workers.

Mr. Lane stressed the necessity for adjusting wages upward, and spoke of the low paid workers whose incomes were not elevated before the War Labor Board's use of the little steel formula. He urged that the Price Control Act be re-enacted to protect the low paid workers who even now are receiving sub-standard wages.

Petitions asking Congress to continue the Price Control Act and not to place crippling amendments in it have been prepared by the Toledo Industrial Union Council and will be passed out for signing in all CIO shops.

Soldier Gifts

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Schultz, Local 12 president, who is a member of Willys Unit, stated, "The thousands of dollars which we will be forced to pay the state in taxes can be saved by the simple expedient of transferring our office into Michigan. This money saved can be used to purchase more necessities for our boys in the service. We certainly think that the state has taken an arbitrary stand and we will not allow our servicemen to be deprived because of a tax which, in our case, will defeat its own purpose."

Mr. Schultz said that the cigarettes were not purchased for re-sale and pointed out that the boxes containing the cigarettes contained many useful articles which were sent free to the soldiers.

Thousands of Willys workers contribute each week to the servicemen's gift fund and are incensed with the action taken by the Ohio Sales Tax Division.

Unless the state indicates its willingness to refund the money charged the Willys Unit, a storeroom will be rented just over the Ohio-Michigan state line shortly after June 1, according to members of the Willys Unit Servicemen's Gift Committee.

Dies Pleads Ill Health

WASHINGTON (FP)—To the universal joy of organized labor, Rep. Martin Dies (D., Tex.) announced he would not run for re-election to Congress. His excuse was ill health but fear of defeat by labor's political action in Texas was conceded as the real reason.

Transfer Of Workers Is In Sight

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 24 —Ohio's legions of war workers may soon need to develop a capacity for rapid job mobility —transferring from one job or one plant to another almost overnight—because of the European invasion.

Management, too, must adjust its sights to possible new production requirements brought about by urgency for new weapons or revisions of present fighting equipment.

These predictions were voiced by E. L. Keenan, Ohio director for the War Manpower Commission as he returned today from a conference with other manpower officials in Washington. Rapid production shifts resulting from changes in armanent found necessary under battle conditions may create this situation.

Ohio, with its billions of dollars in war orders may suddenly find itself faced with the cancelation of certain contracts only to be replaced by new ones. These latter necesarily will require retooling and necessitate the transfer of workers from one department to another, from one job to another, and sometimes from one employer to another.

Management's responsibility will be to channel manpower and materials into the production of new or redesigned equipment. Management should fully inform workers of why any specific production shift is required and engineer the changes with the least possible loss in utilizing workers' full skills.

Skilled and production workers must be readly to shift rapidly into these new and urgent production programs. Realizing that some production shifts are inevitable, workers can prepare to adjust to sudden changes in the scheduling of war work. New job assignments, calling for related but not always the same skills will not be unusual, as new weapons must be turned out immediately if the weapons formerly produced prove inadequate. It is possible that the loan of workers from one plant to another may be necessary in emergency situations.

Anti-Laborite Defeated In Oregon Primary

PORTLAND, Ore. May 23 (FP)—Labor's political action scored against another reactionary cogressman with the defeat of Sen. Rufus C. Holman in the Oregon primary.

Holman, who voted against labor's interest on every issue that came before the 78th congress, lost the Republican senatorial nomination to labor's candidate, Wayne L. Morse, former dean of the Oregon Law School and former public member of the Natl. War Labor Board. Returns from 1,542 precincts of 1,828 gave Morse the victory, 61,983 to 54,983.

Pres. Roosevelt received Oregon's 14 Democratic national convention votes and Vice Pres. Henry A. Wallace was the write-in choice for his running-mate. Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York received the majority of the Republican votes.

Unions Buy Own Daily Paper

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 24 (FP)—War workers in this busy shipbuilding center have finally got themselves a direct pipeline to the truth.

Although the town is bursting at the seams with unionists, the one daily paper here served its news with a stright anti-labor angle. So the local unions got together, bought a local weekly, the Clark County Sun, and converted it into a daily.

The paper is handled by professional newspapermen and runs wire service news, full local news, comics, features and sports. Labor news is given fair treatment, but is not allowed to run away with the paper. Result has been a 5-star success, with the Sun obtaining 9,000 subscribers in no time at all.

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Ward Investigation Is Bogging Down

WASHINGTON, May 23 (FP)—Ready for a Roman holiday at the expense of the National War Labor Board, big-name newspaper writers piled into the House Office Building May 22 when the special House committee opened its investigation of the seizure of Chicago's Montgomery Ward plant.

But as the hearing progressed and WLB Chairman William H. Davis cleared the air to show how fairly the WLB had acted and how it was Ward's refusal to bargain and not any transgressions of the union that was at the root of the trouble, the eager news hounds lost interest.

"But wait until Sewell Avery shows up next week," one of them said during a recess. "Then they'll have some real fireworks."

Bickers With Davis

Rep. Charles S. Dewey (R. Ill.) has cast himself into the role of trigger man for the mail order house, but he didn't get very far in his bickering with Chairman Davis.

After Dewey had come off second best in his clashes with Davis, the newsmen said "The Republicans need a real leader here."

Dewey attempted to make much of the fact that although the government had seized Ward's Chicago plant, a Sears-Roebuck store at Minneapolis was left untouched. Dewey introduced the two big mail order catalogs to show the houses do the same kind of business.

"But," Davis explained, "the Sears case at Minneapolis was not in our jurisdiction. It was a refusal to bargain case, handled by the NLRB. There was no strike."

It was pointed out, too, that the Chicago Ward plant involves over 7,000 persons and is the national center of the firm's preparations while Sears at Minneapolis is a subordinate retail store and the situation involved only 1,100 persons.

The special committee has as its chairman Rep. Robert Ramspeck (D. Ga.) who is well-informed on the issues and generally disposed to be fair in his treatment of witnesses. The "hot" Republican minority won't get too far under him.

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Catholic Theater Group Honors 12 M-G-M Stars

HOLLYWOOD—Irene Dunne, Spencer Tracy, Ruth Hussey, Lucille Ball, John Hodiak, Gloria De Haven, Lionel Barrymore, George Murphy, Jimmy Durante, Henry O'Neil, Cliff Clark, and last but not least, little star Margaret O'Brien, will be honored by the Footlighters, a midwest Catholic dramatic society, for continued outstanding performances, and as an inspiration to Catholic aspirants to the theatre. As a token of the Footlighters esteem, the society will award statuettes to the Catholic stars.

The Footlighters have their national headquarters in Elgin, Illinois, with the Rev. Fr. W. F. Boland, director.

NLRB

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ences. We are 100% opposed to it—all AFL unions."

CIO General Counsel Lee Pressman wound up in rebuttal, making the point that nowhere did the NAM offer to show "how the rule would improve the war effort, while we said if you put in the rule it would disturb production." Pressman warned the NLRB that it lacked the funds to handle the thousands of investigations and elections that would follow adoption of the rule.

A decision will be made by the NLRB soon.

Steel Workers Get WLB Increase

WASHINGTON, May 19, (FP) —A $500,000 melon will be split by 1,700 members of the United Steelworkers (CIO) as a result of a retroactive wage boost ordered by the Natl. War Labor Board May 17 for the Sheffield Steel Corp, at Houston, Tex.

In addition to the 7-month retroactive feature, the WLB ordered the increase to apply at the rate of 8c an hour above the common labor rate which was set at 60½c.

The majority opinion said the order found that the wages set were proper as of Nov. 20, 1942 and should be paid of that date.

To hold otherwise, the WLB, declared, "would mean that the employers would be penalized for submitting their claim for increased pay to the processes of settlement by the government and in the meantime carrying on with war production instead of stopping their production and submitting their pay claim to a test of economic strength.

Industry members said the decision "illustrates that crushing penalties are being imposed by the WLB against industry due to its policy of refusing to consider obvious inequities whenever an agent of this board assesses retroactivity back to the expiration of an agreement [illegible] the board or the date of certification of the dispute to the board.

The company had offered 2½ increase.

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Anna Damon, ILD Secretary, Dies

NEW YORK, May 20 (FP)— Anna Damon, national secretary of the International Labor Defense, died here May 18 after a long illness. She was 46 years old.

It was under Miss Damon's secretaryship that the ILD conducted its successful court fights on behalf of Angelo Herndon, Negro organizer sentenced to 20 years on a Georgia chain gang, the eight defendants in the Oklahoma criminal syndicalism cases whose convictions were overturned last November, and numerous other cases involving civil rights.

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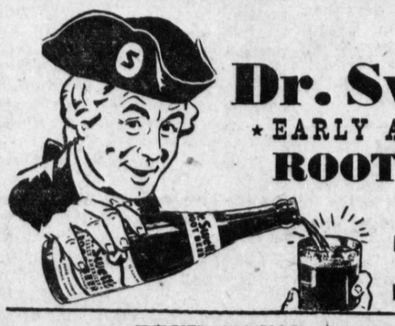

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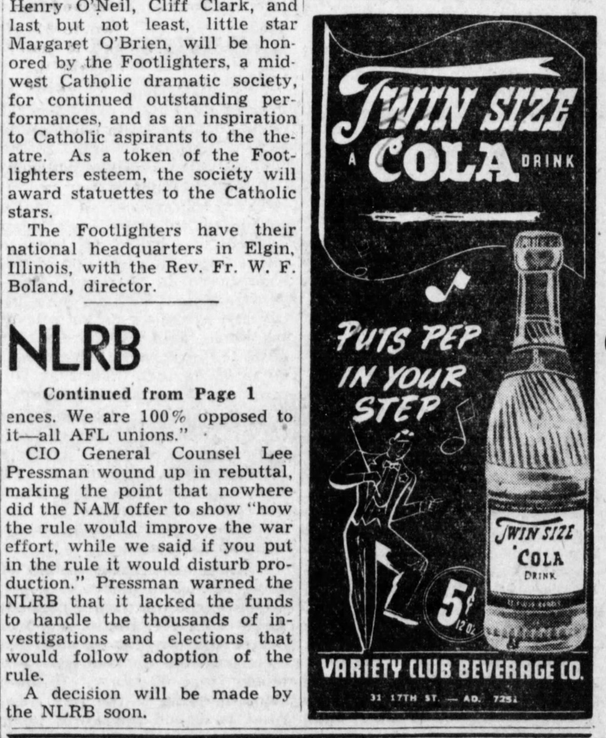

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CONVERSATION

One of the best examples of good unionism that we have found, occurred the other day. It happened in a conversation between two men. We convey this conversation in part to you.

One of the gentlemen while talking of unions, remarked to the other in an off-hand way, "Say Bill, how much does it cost you for dues in your local?"

"Three dollars a month," came the reply in double quick time, "and I get no satisfaction concerning my grievances."

The first fellow's mouth fell open as he said, "Why, I belong to Local 12 UAW-CIO. I only pay one dollar a month and get twice my money's worth in service." He continued by explaining how his grievances were always taken care of promptly by his steward. "If my steward cannot settle my trouble, he calls upon my executive committeeman; who, in turn, can relay it to the committee as a whole. Then the commiitee, if they deem it advisable, can utilize the services of Local 12. Somewhere along these channels, my grievance is settled to my satisfaction. This is the action that I get when I have troubles and this is the service that is rendered for the small sum of sixty cents a month which is all that is left after the per capita tax is paid to the International Union.

Going a little further he added, "Bill, I am proud of my Union. I would be willing to pay more dues than I do if it would help to guarantee the continuance of the benefits it gives to me now."

During his conversation, this same gentleman, mentioned the fact that he would be willing too, to donate towards the building of an auditorium in the rear of the present hall, that he had heard was being considered. It would be a place where he could take his wife and family to dance and enjoy other entertainment.

GOOD EXAMPLE

That kind of a man, we believe, the kind who advertises his union and its functionings, is one of the best examples of what a good union member should be.

This man is just one member out of the thousands who belong to Local 12 who have the same views. We are glad that we can boast of such loyalty.

We wonder how many of you attend Local 12 meetings on the second Friday of every months at 8 p. m. There, the sixty cents which covers the expenses of your union is dissected. We would like you to see and understand how your money is spent; to see how really efficient your local officers are from President Schultz down to the youngest officer. You will be amazed at the things you can learn from these meetings. If you go, you to will find yourself explaining to a Bill, John, or Mary how proud you are of Local 12. We certainly are proud to be a part of it and to have every one of you as members.

DEPT. 308

Grace Gardner leaves us on the 25th of May, which is also her 70th birthday. Yes, girls, that's right. 70 years young and turns out as good, if not better work than a lot of the younger ones. Grace says she hates to leave us but her daughter insists she come to California and make her home there. Sorry to see you go Grace, but after 70 years of work, we think you deserve a break and a rest. Good luck to you from all of us . . . A new comer to 308, 2nd shift is Phillip Portteus who has recently received an honorable discharge from the Navy. He served in the South Pacific for two and one half years. He is the son of Jim Portteus superintendent of Drop Forge. Glad to have you with us, Phil . . . It's nice to see Mary Phillips back again after her long sick leave . . . Got a new gal around here, 2nd shift that really can talk hand, leg and foot off of anything. Name's Faye and she sure keeps the line going . . . Dick Frybarger is back also and are the girls glad. Their line is now making money again. Dick had a badly infected hand for several weeks. We're all glad to see you back, Dick . . . It's good to see papa Hess and his broad grin around again, also his shadow, meaning Tony, of course . . .

Wanted

A Pied Piper. Apply at Pete Bain's office, first floor, 46 Bldg. The rats are so thick they play tag in the middle of the floor in dept. 222, the sewing room.

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Canco (1) Opener

By Ted Modrowski.

PEOPLE ASK WHY

Ben Maciejewski is signing his initials B. S. since his brilliant speech during negotiations.

Floyd Madrzykowski fills empty beer bottles with water and then proceeds to drink two to 12 of these "aqua specials" to make people believe he can take it.

Mary DeMuth is acting very shy lately.

Some people get so bossy after a petty promotion.

Emil, the congenial mixologist at Local 12 makes such a hit with the girls from our Unit (give with the secret, Emil).

Virginia Mucci continues to ask that your reporter keep mum. What is she so worried about?

Shorty Strickler is acting chipper these days. The company gave him a new electric truck.

The Inter-departmental Softball trophy isn't presented to the team on the 4th floor now.

Everyone runs to the Union for help when they get themselves into trouble.

HUMAN ELEMENT

The prime purpose of any bona fide labor organization is to ascertain proper treatment and application of the human element in regards to industrial relations. We realize that from the standpoint of industry it is often more profitable to apply theory rather than fair treatment through common sense knowledge of the ever important human element.

The day has passed, (we hope it never returns) when people were considered a fixture in the plant and treated as such. In some cases, they are still receiving the "oil," but they don't always swallow it. People have some to understand that "all men are created equal with certain inalienable rights" and are seeking to secure and maintain these rights. They will not be denied their rights as Americans, at least not without a still fight.

White-Collared Worker Items

By J. B. Bishop.

GREETINGS:

Hi, Friends and White Collar Workers of Toledo. I hope you'll enjoy reading this column, which is written by a white collar worker.

We hope this will become a permanent column in the JOURNAL, because we believe the UAW thinks the white collar workers are worth fighting for. If the UAW wasn't for us, we wouldn't have won the election at Spicer's, would we? That was a great victory by which at least some of us can escape from the petty tyrannies of management.

SPICER LEADS

Spicer white collar workers have lead the way here in Toledo. Despite the veiled threats of loss of jobs, pay cuts and other managerial nastiness, we got up on our hind legs and asserted ourselves. The office workers showed their deep resentment of the treatment they have received. They reared back in the traces and kicked over the old apple cart.

Wonder why they hire office workers if they are so unimportant? Could the firm continue without us? But ask for an increase in your pay as a rugged and disorganized individualist and see where it gets you.

Maybe some of the timidity which office workers have shown in the past will disappear now that we have a red-blooded union behind us. Perhaps we will quit regarding ourselves as well-dressed lackeys to stuffed shirts and get ourselves decent living wages as befit decent men and women.

Don't be modest, you white collar salary slaves. You are important, not only to the company, but in the political, economic and spiritual life of your country. You can earn your self-respect and respect of others by asserting yourselves. Cast away your fears. Look the boss in the eye as an equal instead of a subservient lackey. You are now a member of a great union.

Champion Sparklets

Yes sir, spring is here. You can tell that positively by listening to the chatter on the fourth floor. It goes like this: "I caught one that weighed two pounds. Boy, were the bull heads biting last night! What kind of bait did you use? Gee, I'll sure be glad when the bass season opens. (So will Cap.) Hope it doesn't rain Sunday." Yes sir, that's how you know it's spring.

The company has a new baler and is saving tons of waste paper which was originally burned. Every one of us should help by not mixing garbage and shop towels in with the waste paper. Thanks to all for their cooperation in the paper drive.

Since April 29, 1942, the Blood Donors' Club of the Champion Unit Local 12 has given 170 transfusions to members and relatives of members in the Champion Unit. To all 170 who have given transfusions we wish to express our thanks. We would also like to thank Ralph Young of the engineering department for his contribution towards keeping this club on an up-to-date basis. He has done more than any other person to obtain new members for this very worthwhile cause. His efforts have been appreciated.

Carson Robinson, Hemphill Lytton and Ed Lawniczak of the shipping room are working away like good little boys awaiting their call to the colors.

Mary Clower is in Mercy Hospital recovering from an operation. She is coming along fine. Ralph Farrell of the engineering department suffered a bad fall and is confined to his home. Hope he improves rapidly.

Grace Mahler, former union steward, and now a member of Uncle Sam's family, paid us a visit last week while home on a furlough. Time was much too short for Grace to talk to each and every one of us, but on the whole she canvassed a great deal of territory during her brief stay. She looked very striking and pretty in her WAVE uniform and we extend to her our best wishes for much future success.

Bill Leonard (engineering inspector in L) saves all Bull Durham tobacco bags. We wonder why.

Genevieve McClellan, final inspector, is back to work after a siege of illness. Here's hoping she stays on the road to health.

Our deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences are extended to Velma Kiefer upon the loss of her husband; to Vickie Gromek at the passing of her mother; and to Peg Lammie for the loss of her father.

Johnnie Byrd: How many times did you say you comb your hair every day? Did you say none? We notice you carry a comb every day.

Florence Rechtine just loves to follow people. Next time we're in need of a detective we'll put her on the trail. Would you be willing, ready and able?

It's about time we presented our very capable secretary an orchid for her hard work and wonderful disposition. She sure knows her job and is always ready to help. A really nice girl. Of course we mean Cherie. She's always on the job.

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Auxillary News

Auxiliary 58 is sponsoring a card party Sunday, June 4th in Parlor C, Local 12 headquarters, from 5 p. m. to 10 p. m. The price is only 35 cents per ticket. This party will take place directly after the Spicer meeting. We hope you will come and have an enjoyable time with other UAW families.

All UAW members and their families are invited to attend our meeting Tuesday, June 13, to hear Rev. Russell Humbert review "Under Cover", by John Roy Carlson. Orders for this book will be taken by the Auxiliary and will be sent to the UAW Book Store in Detroit where UAW members are given a discount.

At our meeting on June 27th, Mrs. Helen Lowry will demonstrate the products of the Household Paper Products Co. of Detroit . All members are urged to attend.

Additional information about these meetings or the Women's Auxiliary can be obtained by calling GArfield 0062 or by writing to the Women's Auxiliary, 58 UAW-CIO, 425 Winthrop St., Toledo 10, Ohio.

Labor's Book List Of Best Sellers

DETROIT (FP) — The Union Bookstore, operated by United Auto Workers (CIO) education department, reports the following best-sellers for the past month: Fiction: "Strange Fruit," "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," "The Robe," "Song of Bernadette," "A Bell for Adano"; nonfiction: "Under Cover," Why Women Cry," "Sabotage," "That Man in the White House," "Race Riot."

Workers Plan D-Day Demonstrations

NEWARK, N. J. (FP)—Plans for special demonstrations by the workers in the shops when D-Day arrives were announced by the presidents of 52 locals in District 4, United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers (CIO), representing 105,000 workers.

Plaskon Unit Officers

Members of the Plaskon Unit, latest addition to the ever-growing Local 12, UAW-CIO, recently elected their executive shop committee. They are rear left to right: C. Jackson, C. Rippke and W. Lake. Front: W. Reves, secretary; A. Yeager, vice-chairman and C. Hartranft, chairman. J. White was absent.

National Supply

MESA BUNK

It looks as though we are being treated to the same malarkey from the MESA which some other Toledo shops have received. The same cowardly, scurrilous, filthy and venomous poison which the MESA has become renowned for is still on tap, apparently from some brain suffering from intellectual halitosis.

Not only does the MESA sneak around seeking memberships like a thief in the night, but worst of all, it tries to create membership by methods which would do credit even to Herr Goebels. That reminds us that Matt Smith, secretary for the MESA, thinks so little of this country that he has never become a citizen.

Unions like the MESA, which seek to create membership by name calling and other demagogic appeals are not worth while. Not only do they seek to stimulate membership by lying and connivery, but they lack the intestinal fortitude, the guts, to come out in the open.

LICE

When the Wagner Act became law, it gave the good unions and bad ones the same rights. We have a good union now, despite all the dirt which the MESA is dishing up to fool the gullible.

The MESA reminds us a little of a condition which seems to overcome our boys in the armed services. (Matt Smith doesn't care about the boys in the armed services or he wouldn't pull a strike at the slightest provocation.) Our soldiers, for some reason or other, seem to pick up lice. But they go through a delousing process which kills off these little pests.

So it is with the MESA. We can endure them until we get to delouse ourselves. We don't have to keep them.

Frankly, we wonder if the company isn't just having the time of its life watching the MESA try to destroy the unity of our shop by their efforts to make us believe that the UAW-CIO is the world's worst union, while the MESA is God's little gift to the workers of America. If this were true, you may be certain that the MESA would be the world's largest union instead of the world's smallest and lousiest.

Don't be mislead by the vicious propaganda of the MESA. Don't be gullible. Remember the MESA is trying to divide us and ask yourself the reason why. After the war, Matt Smith and his gang of would-be union busters will fade like the snow in the hot sun. In the meantime, remember soldiers get lice, but don't have to keep them. We can rid ourselves of these little pests very easily. Let's do it.

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Probe Of CIO P. A. C. Still On, Dies Says

JASPER, Tex. (FP) — Relax, folks. Rep. Martin Dies (D., Tex.) may have canceled his return engagement at Capitol Hill, but tickets are still good for his promised sideshow on the CIO Political Action Committee.

From his home here where he is nursing his much-publicized sore throat, Dies said the hearing, which had been scheduled for May 23, would be held as soon as his health permits. PAC Chairman Sidney Hillman has been subpenaed to testify before Dies' committee, which was allegedly set up to probe unAmerican activities.

SHORT STORY

It was Friday, May 19 . . everyone was tense . . . few words were spoken . . . the zero hour was drawing nigh . . . furtive glances were taken at timepieces . . . then —IT HAPPENED! . . . A man was led out of the little room . . . down the last 13 steps they went . . . it had really taken place. . . . People said it couldn't and wouldn't happen . . . but there he was . . . in his hand he clutched some soft green paper . . . no one dared breathe . . . women laughed hysterically . . . men groaned . . . the thing that had bothered everyone for 19 months was ended . . Swartzbaugh paid off his retroactive wages. WOW! Wotta day!

Valv-o-Lite

NEW ROOM

Good news, which those who attend our Unit meeting already know. We now have our own Unit room at Local 12 headquarters. In room 205 we will keep our records and files and have a place for the committee to meet.

If you know of any new employes sign them up in the Union. We will welcome them and they will be glad to come to us, particularly when they find out what kind of a deal the company has put out in the past and is still trying to put over.

Management is putting on a drive to break labor. We must therefore make all efforts to protect ourselves. Unless we do, we lose all that we gained in the last few years. A strong, active union means that our standard of living will be held at a high level. And what worker isn't worth that.

We can succeed in our shop if we will persevere. Ford was tough, too, but he now has a UAW union in his shop with a contract and all the things which Ford said he would never give. Even Crawford isn't bigger than Ford, and even if he is, we are still the UAW. Let's not forget that. Crawford and Thompson Products are not a bit tougher than some of the other babies who have been forced to admit that the worker is a human being and has rights. He can be taught to respect us even if he doesn't like us.

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CIO Wants FDR For Re-election

CHICAGO (FP) — Full strength of the CIO's five million members was swung into the drive to return President Roosevelt to the White House for a fourth term following his indorsement by the CIO Political Action Committee.

R & R Unit Noise

OUR BOYS

I've been trying to get some news about the fellows overseas who used to work here. Myrtle Brittain received a letter from Bob Thornton, who seems to think that two weeks in a pup tent with it raining all the time is a bit too damp for comfort. Myrt also got a letter from Jack Todd, written from a foxhole some place in Italy, telling her to say hello to everybody for him.

Everyone is wondering whether or not Ray Golus still has that pretty wave in his hair after two weeks of boot camp.

Howard Routson tells me Bob Griswell is in Cairo, Egypt. Dick Mickens is in Alaska, Carl Schultz in Iceland, Jim McCarthy in Italy.

Martha Earl told me her hubby, Dwight, has been in North Africa, and is an electricians mate, 2nd class.

They tell me that Fred Bender is going to do it again. He is going to get hitched June 10. Congratulations, Fred.

Rosa (Pete) Bollinger, who has been at the R. & R. at least 14 years and was 80 years old May 22, has decided to take it easy. She left R. & R. and is living in Mt. Clemen, Mich. Her address is: Rosa Bollinger, R. 3, Box 307, Mt. Clemens, Mich., c/o Mrs. Tom George. We all were very sorry to see her leave and hope the rest of her days will be happy ones.

Don't forget your International dues assessment must be paid by May 31.

Missouri Grants Labor Right

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (FP) —The right of collective bargaining, through organizations of their own choosing, was granted to Missouri workers by the state constitutional convention here.

Central Welfare Agency Established By Unions

BROOKLYN, N. Y. (FP) — Putting "the union cares for its own" policy into unprecedented practice, Brooklyn unions with the cooperation of local welfare groups established a central agency to handle all family and personal welfare problems of the 200,000 union members living and working in this major war industry center.

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Labor Scores In California Primary

LOS ANGELES (FP)—United labor registered an almost perfect score in the California primary, nominating 36 out of 41 candidates it had endorsed and sending to defeat Representative John M. Costello (D.), veteran member of the notorious Dies committee.

UAW Sports Winners Feasted By Union

DETROIT (FP) — Winning teams in the three-month bowling tournament of the United Auto Workers (CIO) recreation department and winners in the basketball league were given awards at a banquet on Belle Isle May 15. The bowling tournament attracted 4,399 union bowlers from all over the state.

Hardball, softball and golf are now engaging the attention of union sportsmen and sportswomen, Recreation Director Melvin West reports.

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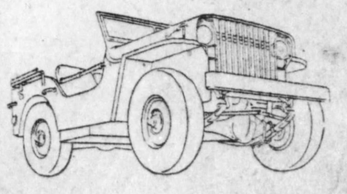

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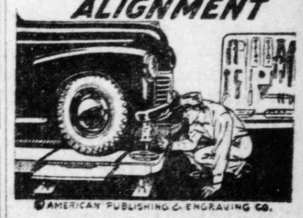

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Economics and Politics

We disagree with the editorial writer in the morning newspaper who stated that labor's efforts properly belong in the field of economics and that labor should keep out of politics.

Such a statement illustrates a lack of education and knowledge, or is a deliberate attempt to mislead.

Just a few years ago, labor was told it had no business to concern itself with economics. The relationship between workers and employers in those days was that of masters to slaves.

In order to be consistent, those who claim that labor has no business in politics should also maintain that the great economic interests of the country, the manufacturers, bankers, merchants and other business interests, should also keep out of politics.

One would need to be blind and stupid not to recognize the interests which business ,both big and little, takes in politics. No one could be so naive that they do not recognize the great efforts which business makes to influence elections and the politicians who are the by-products of elections

Labor is being asked to close its eyes to its political interests. It is asked to believe that economics is one thing and politics another, and never the twain shall meet . It is told to confine itself to collective bargaining, while politicians seek to sabotage the laws which were written by politicians giving the workers the right to collectively bargain.

Our opinion is that labor has not gone as deep into politics as it should. Evidence of this is the anti-labor legislation which has been written by congress and many state legislatures in the past two years as a result of labor not being in politics to a sufficient extent to really protect itself.

We emphatically disagree with those who want labor to get out of politics. We believe that labor's future, its protection in the present, its progress in the future is inextricably tied up in political action and that it must interest itself in its political protection.

We believe that unless labor interests itself in politics and becomes politically conscious and aware of the intimate relationship between its ecomonic welfare and political power, it will suffer great losses and perhaps be restricted even as it was repressed in Germany and Italy under the fascists regimes of Hitler and Mussolini.

Labor is in politics, and we hope it gets in up to its neck. If there be those who believe that labor might take over the government, let them believe it. Certainly under a labor government we could not fare worse than we did under the governments which were elected and controlled by the big business interests.

What this country needs is not less but more labor in politics, for until such time that the majority of the people of this country have their economic interests well represented, so long will they be the victims of discriminatory legislation inspired by the other economic interests which are in conflict with labor.

Management Relations Board

President R. J. Thomas whose pungent expressions are well known to the members of the United Auto Workers, coined a neat expression last week before a National Labor Relations Board hearing in Washington.

Thomas suggested that if the NLRB adopted the rule which would permit the filing of election petitions by employers, it should change its name to National Management Relations Board.

There will be more truth than poetry to the Thomas bon mot if the NLRB does decide to permit the employers to call for elections. This would mean that the management of every labor hating, labor baiting business in this country could connive at least once each year to obstruct the union.

The evils in the proposal should be so self evident that the NLRB would not even need a hearing to turn down the request which was inspired by the National Association of Manufacturers. The fact that the hearing was even held bodes no good for the unions of the country.

If the NLRB adopts the proposed amendment to its rules, the country will be treated to another step in the series of steps which have been taken by business and industry since the beginning of the war to harass the unions. Labor certainly will not take the results of an adverse ruling lying down.

What's New?

By Edward Duck,
Educational Director, Local 12

THE OPPORTUNITIES

When more than two people get together there's politics. There are different kinds of politics, extending from the kindergarten classroom even to the monastery. Perhaps the most obvious type is that which deals with paid positions which involve a public trust.

Edward Duck

The prime requisite of a succesful grown-up politician is the knack of meeting people and impressing them favorably. Secondly, showing that you are interested in them, perhaps by remembering their names or funny little incidents which they enjoy recalling. A friendly handshake or a sincere smile can go a long way toward gaining and holding acquaintanceship which may currently or at a later date be considered desirable.

But the best politics of all is a job well-done. If you have done a good job you don't need a press agent, nor is self praise necessary. Every grown up politician of any kind has constituents. They will voluntarily be his cheering section if he has served them well.

There are two kind of politics, good and bad. Good politics promote healthy conditions. Bad politics are destructive by nature and tend only to deteriorate and degrade whatever community they enter. Christian ethics tells us that when the means to an end is not evil in itself this means may be used toward accomplishing a worthwhile objective. And the resultant objective reached in politics through the employment of proper methods can only tend toward aiding the common good.

CREED

Perhaps the underlying cause of bad politics is selfish greed. Those who employ an evil means to accomplish an evil objective must have an evil or selfish motive for so doing.

When irregularities or improper actions are aired before those affected by them this can hardly be called "mud-slinging" or character assassination." When betrayal of a trust is brought to light the guilty party should be punished, or at least denied the opportunity of repeating the offense until he has paid his debt.

Laxity on the part of the voters makes it possible for a selfish minority to become a majority, or the equivalent thereof. Through lack of interest or through ignorance of the truth, the majority can allow a selfish minority to "take over" and actually misrepresent those who acclaim them as their representatives.

Truth is usually one's best weapon. Those who cannot survive just criticism oftentimes attempt to "gag" their opponents or shout them down in order not to hear the truth. In certain types of gatherings they indulge in booing or heckling, and occasionaly make a mockery of parliamentary procedure in order to interrupt the meeting, discourage those attending, belittle the chairman, and prevent their oppostion from receiving an equal break.

MIGHT AND RIGHT

Might does not prevail over right. At least, not for long. Truth has a way of making itself known in the long run. No amount of subterfuge, fraud, trickery, deceit, conniving or falsifying will defeat a person who bases his politics upon principles.

Those who attempt to discriminate against an individual on the basis of his religion or nationality, or because of political implications which are intrinsically evil will wake up some morning to find that democracy has taken away the power it gave them and which they misused for personal aggrandizement.

Union politics are no exception. A healthy organization is one in which the duly elected officers constantly strive toward bettering the conditions of those whom they represent, remembering that they are the servants, rather than the masters, and remembering also that while good politics are necessary for the preservation of the organization, politics as such should at no time be the prime consideration of those whose bread, butter, rent and clothing depend on honest, sincere, wholehearted effort in collective bargaining with an employer.

"But It Does Save Electricity, Clarence"

It's News To Me

By O. J. Pecord

IMPORTANT PEOPLE

A lot of the workers think of themselves as horny handed sons of toil, as greasy, dirty, grimy members of the CIO. They mope over the sad fate which condemned them to be workers instead of bank presidents or heads of industrial empires.

Some of the workers suffer from a sense of frustation. They have hoped and prayed and worked hard for success which never came. Their hopes have been dashed on the rocks of a thousand disappointments.

Ollie Pecord

No matter what your secret sorrow may be regardless of your sense of inferiority, cast everything to one side. Hold up your heads, thrust out your chins, stick out those chests which may be sunken from leaning over lathes or work benches, for you are important people.

ON AUTHORITY

Now I am not given over to excessive flattery and have criticized the workers enough for them to know that I am not closing by eyes to their faults and shortcomings. After all, the workers are still folks and as such, full of human frailties. Of course, I still am prejudiced in favor of the workers; but never mind that part of it.

My original task was to show the workers just how important they are and I shall proceed to do so.

My authority for telling the workers they are important is not Philip Murray, R. J. Thomas or some other labor leaders, but some who do not belong to a labor union, never have belonged, and I think, and hope, never will belong to a union. Here they are:

Governor John Bricker of Ohio, Representative Howard Smith of Virginia, Representative Martin L. Dies of Texas, Pappy O'Daniel, editorial writers on countless newspapers, columnists, the National Association of Manufacturers, the United States Chamber of Commerce, big business men, bankers, economists, financiers and many other important people too numerous to mention.

SOVEREIGN

And the reason why these important people, the people who really are somebody, think that the workers, particularly the CIO workers, are so very important is because this is 1944, the year when the working stiff is not just a working stiff, but the sovereign voter whose decision at the polls is going to spell success or defeat for hopeful politicians, scheming economic forces and powerful interests who recognize labor's power better than labor itself recognizes it.

Those who have shown their concern over the power of the poor working stiffs are not worried because labor is united. They are worried lest it does unite. Hence, they make every effort to keep it divided by making charges and drumming up all sorts of hooie to mislead the workers and send them barking up the wrong trees.

Take the case of the CIO Political Action Committee. Even before the committee makes a significant move it is being attacked by Governor John Bricker who says he has been reliably informed that the CIO is going to spend $5,000,000 to re-elect President Roosevelt.

Of course the workers are supposed to ask each other where the CIO Political Action Committee gets that kind of money, but does it ever occur to the workers to ask how much the NAM, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, business men, bankers, financiers and other big shots are going to spend to defeat Roosevelt?

THE BOGEY

And the bogey of state socialism how they drag that out. "The CIO Political Action Committee," says Mr. Bricker and the other boys in his boat, "is going to lead us straight down the trail that leads to state socialism." Well, just where will Mr. Bricker, Mr. Dewey and those who are backing them lead us?

If the CIO is going to lead us to state socialism, it's only fair to suppose that Mr. Bricker, Mr. Dewey, the bankers, industrialists, financiers and big shots might presumably lead us down the trail that leads to fascism. We certainly have as much right to suspect their motives as they have ours.

The real fact is that the struggle between the large economic interests and the workers is becoming clearer cut. Or, to put it another way, labor wants to preserve and extend its gains, whereas the big economic interests wish to preserve and extend their benefits.

CONFLICT

One would need to be blind not to see the clash of conflicting interests in the political contest in which two political parties in reality do not represent the workers, but are divided into economic groups without respect for their political labels.

Nor is the conflict only in the economic field but in the politial field as well, for the Democrats are hopelessly divided upon principles. And this is the party which represents the workers' interest to a greater extent than the Republican party.

Oh well, forget it, only remember one thing, fellow workers—you are important people. Unite and elect those who will represent your interests and you will really be important.

Editor's Mail

Attention, Auto-Liters

Dear Sir:

This letter is addressed to the people at Auto-Lite.

I appeal to the workers at Auto-Lite to approve now, and as we have in the past, the appointments and assignments made by our Unit chairman.

If we wish to survive as a Unit, we must not permit a handful of committeemen to control the Unit body meetings. These people give lip service to "unity," but what they really mean is unity for themselves.

The committee is always proposing new motions to the Unit body, but as soon as they affect the committee, or some friends of the committee, they immediately want to rescind the motion. Then they propose new motions.

If we are to function as a body, we must adhere to the rules voted on by ourselves in the Unit body meetings and not permit ourselves to be swayed by a few members of the committee.

It is my hope that all of you will see the light before our organization is hopelessly divided by a few so-called smart committeemen, who apparently are thinking first and foremost of themselves and only after that of the Unit.

Fraternally yours,
C. E. Gunter,
Aviation Products Division.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

What A Meeting!

Dear Sir,

I attended the price control meeting held at the Toledo Industrial Union Council headquarters on May 13 and was ashamed of the crowd there. Instead of a packed hall, there were only a handfull.

Don't our members realize that it is important to keep the prices down? It prices go up and the War Labor Board insists on holding down wages it will mean at least a 25-cent pay cut to every worker in the country.

I wonder what some of our people will say if the Price Control Act has all its teeth knocked out by a couple of amendments offered by the "liberal"-minded congressmen who seem bent upon needling labor

I doubt if it will do much good to circulate the petitions to Congress to enact a good price control law. The same people who are too indifferent to attend a meeting to wise them up will be too tired to sign their names.

Frank Jacobs,
Willys-Overland Unit

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Paper For Soldiers

With all the propaganda that is being fed our boys in the armed services, why can't we mail the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL to the boys in the service?

G. Day.

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

LETTER TO A SOLDIER

Dear Bud: I suppose you have heard all about how the terrible union strikers are holding up production of the weapons you need to knock out the Japs.

Clayton W. Fountain

When you read one of those editorials blasting union labor as selfish and unpatriotic, it must make you feel funny.

There you are, out on the firing line, facing the Jap bullets and shells. You must think about your relatives back home in moments like that. So you think of me, your brother, along with the rest of our family. You recall that I work for the UAW-CIO; that I helped to organize the union in the plant where I worked for nine years.

UAW-CIO, you say to yourself. That's the union to which my brother belongs; the one he helped to build. And that's the union which the newspaper I read yesterday blasted because its members went out on a wild-cat strike in a war plant.

FUN TOGETHER

So you think it over a while the Jap bullets zing over your head. What fun we had the day we caught the seventeen wall-eyed pike in the St. Joseph River.

It doesn't make sense to you. There you are in the jungle fighting the Japs. The newspaper blasts the union to which your brother belongs as selfish and unpatriotic, because there has been a wild-cat strike by some of its members.

Why, that's just like saying that my brother doesn't care whether or not I have enough bullets in my gun, you think. But my brother isn't like that, you assure yourself. Not him. We were always pals.

STILL PALS

Well, Bud, you are right; we were always pals—and we still are.

And I do want you to have plenty of bullets for your gun. We fellows in the CIO want to see you boys out there on the front provided with plenty of weapons and ammunition. We've sweated to build the stuff for you—and you know it, because you do have plenty of bullets for your gun, and you are chasing the Japs back to Tokyo.

Now, about the strikes.

There are some things happening here back home that you don't read about in the newspapers, Bud. You can't read what isn't printed. And what the papers don't print is plenty.

The papers don't tell you, for instance, that a lot of plutocrats are getting rich out of this war. Now do they tell you that the National Association of Manufacturers is waging a war here at home against the unions.

AGAINST PLANNING

The papers don't tell you that the plutocrats, along with there editorial pals and political stooges, are waging another war against sensible post-war planning. Whenever we in the unions offer a proposal to guarantee jobs for you fighters when you come back, these big money babies promptly blast the idea. Bureaucracy, they sneer in contempt.

And, of course, you must know by now that the same politicians who are always blasting labor unions are the ones who don't want you to vote.

The anti-labor employers who are trying to wreck the unions do not have a perfect record of patriotism, Bud. Some of them sold scrap iron to Japan to make the guns that are shooting at you. Others sold oil to the Japs right up to the eve of Pearl Harbor.

But don't you worry about these things. You go ahead and finish the job of knocking out the Japs. That's your fight for democracy and the good life.

We'll take care of things here at home — so that you can come home to a good job at decent pay; to an America free of depressions and dictators.

With love, your brother,
Clayton.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Director, Region 2B, UAW-CIO

REAL WAGES

We have all heard the term "real wages" used in any discussion of our economic system. By real wages is meant the amount of commodities which your wages will purchase.

If I called a meeting and told the workers that the subject of the meeting was to discuss 50 cents more an hour for every worker in Toledo, it would take a hall at least five times as large as the Civic Auditorium to get them all in.

Richard Gosser

If a meeting was called to discuss price control, you could get all the workers into five telephone booths without undue cramming.

Add this up and what does it mean? It means that the workers are more interested in what is going into their pockets than what is being taken out.

THINK IT OVER

Think this over. Is it more important to get more wages than it is to prevent the workers from being subjected to high prices, or do the two go hand in hand? If a worker gets $75 a week in wages and it costs him $75.60 a week to live, which is the more important, the wages he receives or the cost of living, taxes and other expenses which cause him to go in the red each week?

I don't want anyone to get the idea that I'm against more money for the workers. I'm for getting the workers every possible penny that can be gained for them. At the same time, I can't forget that the cost of living has increased by 43.5 per cent, while wages have not increased in equal amount. If it were not for the long hours of overtime that the workers are putting in, most of them would be in a bad way.

COMMON SENSE

Common sense must tell the workers that when they return to normal production and only work 40 hours a week, that it is going to be tough for a lot of them. Let's take an illustration. A worker who now makes $1.15 per hours works 48 hours each week. He is paid, including overtime, for 52 hours, and receives $59.80 for his week's work.

But the worker does not net $59.80. Deducting for bonds, social security and income tax, he will average about $48 net pay. This based on a family of four.

How much will this worker make under ordinary conditions, eliminating war bonds? (The taxes will continue after the war.) According to my figures, he will net $36.64 each week. Out of this he will pay rent, insurance, utilities, clothing, food, doctor bills and other normal as well as emergency expenses which arise in the life of every family.

In the face of this apparent fact, it seems to me that the workers should be just as interested in what it cost them to live as in what they earn to pay these costs. I hope I have made myself clear and that every worker who is interested in his own economic interest will sign the petitions to maintain price control and know that without it he is going to be hard pressed to make ends meet.

American Labor

By Melvin Schultz,
President UAW-CIO Local No. 12

LABOR'S MAGNA CHARTER

In 1934 the NRA was invalidated by the Supreme Court and the safeguards that had been contained in it for labor were abolished with it. But these points were re-enacted in the Magna Charter of Labor which commonly is known as the Wagner Act.

Melvin Schultz

Under this law employers were forbidden to interfere with the right of a worker to join a union of his own choosing.

SOCIAL LEGISLATION

Two other important pieces of legislation which were passed under the new administration were the Fair Labor Standards Act which set a maximum hourly work at straight time at forty hours and a minimum hourly pay at forty cents, and the Social Security Act which entitled the workers to some unemployment, sickness and old age benefits.

These three laws are known as Labor's Bill of Rights. They represent what can be accomplished on the political front thru organization and at the same time illustrate clearly what the possibilities are for obtaining full employment and adeuate social security thru the enactment of social legislation.

THE CIO

Together with these legislative gains came the birth and growth of the CIO, which began as a committee for industrial organization within the structure of the AFL.

As might well be expected, there was a conflict of interest between the industrial type of unionism which the CIO represented, and the craft type as represented by the older A. F. of L.

Certain restrictions were placed upon the drive for industrial members because of the inherent differences in the two unions, differences which led to disputes and an eventual parting of the ways between craft and industrial unionism.

That difference while it was not necessarily insurmountable could not be ironed out the satisfaction of the leaders of the two organizations and the split finally came which exists to this day.

When this committee was expelled by the executive board of the AFL all the restrictions which had formerly hampered the organization of the mass production workers were at last removed and the world was to see an industrial organization which could effectively deal with the employers in an industrial society.

In 1938 the first constitutional convention of the CIO was called.

Before concluding this series and proceeding to outline the program of the CIO we shall pause to review the Story Of Our Own Union.

The next column will be the first of a short series on the history of the Auto Workers.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

WAR WORKERS STARS OF "MEET THE PEOPLE"

In the new MGM musical, "Meet the People," playing this week at the Valentine Theater, stars Lucille Ball and Dick Powell portray a pair of patriotic Americans working in a big shipyard as their contribution to the war effort.

SHARE THE LUNCH . . . Lucille and Dick know that a hearty lunch is necessary to be able to work at peak efficiency. They taken an easy way, sharing a full lunchbox daily.

SHARE THE RIDE . . . Car pools save gasoline and rubber (though they sometimes hinder romance) but Lucile and Dick don't mind. They share the ride with others both at work and at play—and learn they can have real fun doing it.

"ALL WORK AND NO PLAY . . . makes Jack a dull boy" the old saying goes, and this pair is far from dull. They make the most of Lunchtime Follies and don't spare the fun.

Seen On A Hollywood Movie Set

HOLLYWOOD — Abbott and Costello, with Murray Leonard, were preparing to do one of the hilarious comedy scenes in "Lost In A Harem." Lines and business had been rehearsed. The camera was ready to roll. Director Charles T. Riesner was poised for action.

Then Director Roy Rowland entered with little star Margaret O'Brien. They'd been invited to see the scene

Margaret stood in the background, rather timidly.

"Come up where you can see," urged Riesner.

"I don't want to be where I may spoil a scene," answered Margaret. "You see, I'm afraid that I'll laugh."

"Come right up," insisted Lou Costello. "What we're afraid of is that maybe you won't!"

Screen Newcomer Wins Top Role In Filmusical

HOLLYWOOD (Special) — Marion Bell, youthful brown eyed, brown haired dramatic soprana and protegee of director Robert Z. Leonard, will have one of the most important first roles ever given a newcomer in Hollywood. Her screen debut will be in the singing lead of "The Kissing Bandit," to be produced by Joe Pasternak.

Miss Bell, a native of St. Louis, Mo., was but fourteen years old when Leonard and his wife heard her sing at a party and decided to sponsor her career. As a result she studied voice in Rome from 1937 until the outbreak of war, and continued in Los Angeles since then, also adding dramatics to her study schedule. Leonard directed the screen-test which won her a long-term contract.

Here's News — Dog Bites Avocado!

BRIAN DONLEVY'S prize dachshund is quaint in his way because he prefers avocados to lamb chops—or else he's out of ration coupons. Brian, incidentally, recently completed "America, the film you must see.

DANCER GOES DRAMATIC

Mary Parker, little blonde dancer from Texas who appeared in "Lady in the Dark" after success on the New York musical comedy stage, has her first dramatic role in "Music for Millions."

Others in leading roles are Jose Iturbi, Margaret O'Brien, Donna Reed, Jimmy Durante and Marsha Hunt.

Lone Ranger Hoss, Silver, In "Follies"

HOLLYWOOD — Silver, famous horse who answered the "Heigh-ho" call of the Lone Ranger on the screen is a glorified steed in "Ziegfeld Follies"—and what's more, instead of a rip-snortin' cowboy astride him, he has the glamorous Lucille Ball for a rider.

Silver, with his tail braided and tied with six pink satin bows, a pink ostrich feather between his ears, will be featured in the Merry-Go-Round number with ten other white horses, the Ziegfeld Girls, stars Fred Astaire and Miss Ball.

Broadway, Hollywood Plead For Racial Amity

NEW YORK (FP)—Movie and stage stars joined in a Nationwide Broadcast for Racial Amity May 19 over Station WJZ featuring Helen Hayes and Paul Robeson from Broadway and Bette Davis ,Paul Muni and Lena Horne from Hollywood.

The broadcast was sponsored by the Entertainment Industry Emergency Committee to show the harmonious working relations between Negroes and whites in that industry—where ability, not origin or color, is the standard—in the hope that America's will to unity will be strengthened.

Actor Picks Rebab As Original Hobby

HOLLYWOOD — Hurd Hatfield, currently in the title role of "The Picture of Dorian Gray," is learning to play the rebab, one of those six-foot long, two-stringed, gourd-bodied Oriental fiddles that gives out like a tail-stepped-on cat.

"But, why the rebab?" queried Donna Reed.

"Because, as a screen newcomer," said Hurd, "I've noticed that other actors interviewed about hobbies, always mention swimming, fishing, painting, music, attending shows or cooking. The rebab field isn't so crowded!"

Screen's Maisie Famed For Her Verbal Vitriol

HOLLYWOOD (Special) — Maisie's the gal with all the right answers. She's the one who has the perfect snappy comeback, the kind we all wish we would have made in the same situations, but didn't.

Even Maisie herself, in the person of Ann Sothern, failed to realize what an oft-quoted individual she has become. The discovery came during a recent camp tour. On this occasion Miss Sothern awoke to the "woids of wisdom" had become classic to many of the lads in uniform. As a matter of record, she acknowledged embarrassment over the fact that many of the boys could reel off lines of smart dialogue from pictures that she had entirely forgotten.

Forked Tongue Frill

In her new film, "Maisie Goes to Reno," there are numerous snide remarks headed straight for the repartee hit parade. Here's a darb, for example, that will prove apropos on any occasion on which one walks in to discover unwelcome guests:

"Why didn't you let me know you were coming," quips Maisie, "I would have baked a snake."

And then there is the retort devastating to that oft uttered jibe heard frequently in shops of one type or another—the one where an irate shopkeeper snarls:

"Haven't you heard there's a war going on?"

And even with gas rationing there's always the guy who finds his car "stalled" on a country road. The page from Maisie's book reads as follows:

"You can't walk," declares the wolf in question.

"With all the practice I've had? Ha," is the squelch supreme.

HOLLYWOOD LOT

By TED TAYLOR

HOLLYWOOD May 22, (FP)—While American and Allied forces prepare to hurl waves of men, steel and dynamite against the Nazi fortress of Europe, the second front has a fantastic sideshow in Franco's Spain. At Barcelona in June we will exhibit Hollywood's best escapist movies in competition with those of Germany, Italy and Japan.

The Nazis lost their war on the sea and in the air, and are bracing themselves for a decisive shock on land. But in the war of the mind a negotiated peace is being arranged on fascist home grounds. It is a cultural-commercial collaboration to which Franco is issuing the invitations. At least three American film companies have agreed to participate and after some hesitation the U. S. State Dept. has given its blessing.

Universal, Paramount and Warner Bros. have agreed to enter two or more films apiece in the socalled international trade fair at Barcelona June 19-24.

No anti-Axis films will be allowed.

Narrows Field

It is permissible, however, to show something of the American way of life if it can be done without offending Franco or his Axis partners. That narrows the field further.

Universal's entries are out and out escapism—Arabian Nights and Phantom of the Opera. Paramount and Warner entries have not been revealed. 20th Century-Fox is one of the companies that turned a cold ear to Franco's first overtures. Now that the State Dept. has approved, 20th-Fox may send Song of Bernadette to the macabre fiesta of the invasion year.

There is a money incentive for entering Franco's fair—$250,000 in fascist gold for every American movie company that takes part. The offer is in the form of a relaxation of Franco's export restrictions to the amount of $25,000 each for 10 films that will be admitted to the Spanish market from each American company exhibiting at Barcelona.

Franco has neatly capitalized on the discovery, reported by FP a few weeks ago, that his restrictions on the entry of American films and the export of pesetas were evaded by underground activities last year to the tune of $2,000,000.

Ostensibly the international trade fair is to make Spain the crossroads of the world for the resumption of business relations between warring and neutral countries.

If it is successful it may constitute a vicious flank movement in propaganda. It should bolster the confidence of the peoples of the Axis powers, and it will undoubtedly bewilder the American and British soldiers steeled for their fiercest onslaught against the Nazis.

The Screen Publicists Guild of New York (CIO) has taken the initiative in protesting to film companies and to the Hays office against collaboration with Franco. The guild of publicity and advertising experts has called the attention of other film unions in New York and Hollywood to the situation.

Lana's As Lovely As Ever

GLAMOROUS Lana Turner poses for her first studio portrait after the birth of her baby, Cheryl. After a year's absence from the screen, Lana is now at work at the M-G-M Studio filming "Marriage Is a Private Affair."

People's Viewpoint Followed In New M-G-M Musical, "Meet The People"

The new film at the Valentine Theatre is something different from the Hollywood scene—a musical with a point of view. It is M-G-M's filmization of the stage hit, "Meet the People," produced by E. Y. (Yip) Harburg, the former Tin Pan Alley tunesmith, as his first picture.

According to Harburg, the hero of the film is the people and the story takes the point of view that the people, after all, are running the country. The cast represents a cross-section of America and is headed by Lucille Ball and Dick Powell.

Lucille Ball's role is that of an actress who goes to a big shipyard on a bond-selling tour and really meets the people. Her chief means of introduction is riveter Dick Powell, who is also a playwright in his spare time. He has discovered "the people" and it is through his influence Lucille becomes "people conscious."

Bert Lahr, of Broadway and Hollywood, returns to the screen to contribute his comic talents to the film. Prominent in the cast, too, is Virginia O'Brien, sphinx-faced comedienne, who sings the rollicking "Say That We're Sweethearts Again" in her best frozen-faced manner. The song is a burlesque of the typical torch song.

June Allyson, lately of "Girl Crazy" and "Best Foot Forward," Paul Regan, New York night club raconteur and mimic, makes his movie debut auspiciously in the role of a worker in the yard, and pretty acrobatic dancer Miriam LaVelle, last seen in "The Gang's All Here" with Alice Faye, as well as the comic dance satirists Mata and Hari, are also included in the roster of specialty acts.

FROM WAR TO GLAMOUR

John Florey, Life news photographer, recently returned from covering the war fronts of Guadalcanal, Tubruk and Bouganville, passed this week covering "Ziegfeld Follies!"

ROLLER CHAMPS IN MOVIES

Cast for "The Thin Man Goes Home," starring William Powell and Myrna Loy, were Billy Smith and Lucille Brown, champion roller skating team.

Smith and Brown figure in the hilarious night club scene involving Loy and Powell as Detective Nick and Nora Charles.

IT'S TRUE! By Wiley Padan

Dick POWELL
A COUNTRY BOY FROM ARKANSAS STARTED SINGING WHEN HE WAS A YOUNGSTER IN GRAMMAR SCHOOL!
Lucille BALL
MGM'S OUTSTANDING MUSICAL COMEDY GLAMOUR COMEDIENNE, IS CAST AS A SHOW GIRL RIVETER IN "MEET THE PEOPLE"!
Dick JUST RETURNED FROM A FISHING TRIP IN MEXICO ...NOW HE IS STUDYING SPANISH.
LUCILLE, MGM'S TECHNICOLOR TITIAN IS TERMED BY ARTISTS A PERFECT COLOR SUBJECT. PS. SHE IS ALSO AN EXPERT CANDY MAKER!
"RAGS" RAGLAND OWNS A HOUSE IN MEXICO CITY... TURNED DOWN SOME PRETTY GOOD OFFERS FROM PROSPECTIVE BUYERS, TOO!
BERT LAHR (THE NEVER-TO-BE-FORGOTTEN COWARDLY LION of THE 'WIZARD OF OZ') IS CAST AS A DRY LAND ADMIRAL in THIS MGM MUSICAL. LAHR HAS BEEN A COMEDIAN 32 YEARS!
VAUGHN MONROE IS A GRADUATE OF CARNEGIE TECH and THE NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORY!
SPIKE JONES and HIS CITY SLICKERS INTRODUCED "DER FUEHRER'S FACE".
Cheeta (AGILE CHIMPANZEE OF THE TARZAN FILMS) HEILS THROUGH A RIB-TICKLING ROLE OF HITLER in "MEET THE PEOPLE".

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"STANDING ROOM ONLY"
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"THE NAVY WAY"
Jean Parker—Bill Henry
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Donald Woods—Elyse Knox
"ROUND-UP"
Richard Dix—Patricia Morrison
Preston Foster
SUN. MON. MAT. SUN. 12
"KLONDIKE KATE"
Ann Savage—Joan Neal
"CHARLIE CHAN IN SECRET SERVICE"
Sidney Toler—Gwen Kenyon
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Loew's News
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SPIKE JONES & HIS CITY SLICKERS

Sports News

Fishing Is Good

Although black bass are having a brief respite to afford time to put their family circles in order — the annual spawning period—up to June 1 in the southern portion of the state, and June 15 in the upper sector, Ohio anglers are reporting good catches of other varieties of fish in both streams and lakes.

Estimates on sales of fishing licenses, and the large number of fishermen to be seen wherever good fishing is available, seem to indicate that this will be a good year in spite of continued gas rationing and employment demands, say Conservation Division field men who have been checking on prospects in general.

Conservation authorities point out that there has been a sharp change in public sentiment with regard to the justification for the practice of fishing under war conditions, the past year or so. Early after the war cartoonists and thoughtless rabble rousers were inclined to refer to fishing as the height of shirking and laziness. Then such men as Glenn L. Martin, the airplane manufacturer, many government authorities and other level-headed persons began pointing out the high morale, health and meat values of fishing and outdoor recreation, until all criticism in public prints has disappeared, and encouragement is evidenced as a matter of social and government policy.

Fish Management Head Reports

COLUMBUS, May 22 — The whitefish eggs have been hatched and been planted in Lake Erie, according to a report of T. H. Langlois, chief of the Fish Management Section of the Ohio Division of Conservation. Pickerel eggs were obtained from commercial fishermen and set up in the batteries for hatching. Boats were made available at Sandusky to assist in planting the whitefish from Put-in Bay hatchery.

Other activities of the Fish Management Section were these: planting willows at Harrison Lake for wave erosion prevention, and distribution of willow slips to other lakes for like purpose under direction of Foster Roszman; Mark White began the operation of test nets in the Muskingum reservoirs; the winter storage ponds at thet fish hatcheries have been drained and breeders transferred to the spawning pools.

At Indian Lake Mrs. Krouskop has been put in charge as foreman in the absence in military service of her husband, who is now Pvt. Don R. Krouskop, in an Engineer Maintenance Company at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

Views On Fishing

Glenn L. Martin, Baltimore employer of thousands of workers, did much to change a nation's thinking on outdoor recreation in a speech made before a conference of sports writers at Chicago a year ago, with the consequent publicity given to his utterances.

Mr. Martin declared that if he had his way every employee of his would spend his day off in the outdoors, fishing and hunting preferably, but at any rate in the outdoors, where he could build up both body and mental morale for the following week's work.

General Eisenhower said in a speech to his invasion troops: "Let's get this business cleaned up so we can go home and go fishing."

Michigan Parks To Open

LANSING, May 23—Memorial Day traditionally marks the official opening of the season in Michigan's state parks, and 51 of the parks—eight in the northern, 43 in the southern peninsula —will be operated in 1944 by the conservation department. Three others — White Cloud, Lake City, and Gladwin state parks—will be operated again this season, as during the last two years ,by local civic authorities.

Personnel shortages again will limit services in all of the parks, but maintenance work was continued through the winter and spring months as a means of keeping the war-reduced parks organization intact ,and condition of the parks at season's opening will be the best it has been since 1941. Few rangers or life guards will be stationed in any of the parks, and visitors again will be asked to lend a hand in policing the park areas.

The department's parks division hazards no estimate of probable park attendance in coming months. Close to 10 million visitors were counted by park superintendents in 1941. That figure was reduced by about 25 per cent in 1942 and last season's attendance did not exceeed five million.

This and That

Lake Erie bass fishing closes May 25 to remain so until June 30 . . . Carp was first introduced into the United States from Germany in 1877 for the purpose of stocking farm ponds . . . how those Heinies must hate us . . . No good is done to the home garden by digging up fishworms . . . they are silent allies through aeration of the soil . . . A jay walker in the country is a city guy who walks across soft cultivated fields . . . or fails to close a field gate behind him . . The Ohio Conservation Division is anxious to increase acreage of fishing waters near populace sections . . . lakes or good sized ponds, and even city park lakes are stocked to provide fishing near home . . . Safety zones in streams are set aside for the good of the fish . . . they should not cramp the anglers' style for they cover only a small part of the total stream mileage of the state . . . Have you secured a fishing license for this season . . . you'll be protected by doing so and help maintain the sport at the same time . . . for the boys when they come home.

Softball League Is Organizing

Efforts are being made to get the softball league in operation by the first week in June according to Melvin Schultz, Local 12 president.

Mr. Schultz has urgently requested that teams already organized send the name of their team captains to the Local, and that other teams now in process of formation speed up their preparations for the season.

Bats, balls and other equipment, as well as fields and umpires are furnished by the Local.

Astaire, Ball To Head "Yolanda" All-Star Cast

HOLLYWOOD (Special)—Announcement of one of the most important pictures planned for the current season by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer was made by that studio this week.

"Yolanda and the Thief," colorful, romantic story of South America, will be brought to the screen with an all-star cast headed by Fred Astaire, Lucille Ball and Lucille Bremer.

Story is by Jacques Thiery and Ludwig Bemelmans, and deals with the adventures of a young convent-bred girl who becomes involved with two fugitives and who finds unexpected romance. Miss Bremer will play the girl.

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LITTLE LUTHER

"It just goes to show you," said Mr. Dilworth, shaking his head mournfully. "Now who would ever have thought that a healthy-looking man like Martin Dies would have to retire because of ill health."

"I'll bet even Dies didn't think of it until the unions back home started passing resolutions reminding him," said Little Luther.

"Unions!" yelled Mr. Dilworth, starting out of his chair. "They're to blame for all this. They've got no business sticking their noses into politics. It's unconstitutional!"

"Certainly is bad for Dies' constitution," agreed Little Luther.

"And what's to become of all the fine work that committee's done?" demanded Mr. Dilworth. "How are we going to know what those reds are up to, who will be left to warn us of the danger of the CIO?"

"Don't worry, Pop," Luther said, "there's always Pegler."

"It's the beginning of mass unemployment, I tell you," insisted Mr. Dilworth. "First poor old Jo Starnes, now Martin. Why, those people down in Texas just have no gratitude. The way Martin Dies has been serving them . . ."

"Red herring, Pop?"

"All these years," Mr. Dilworth rushed on. "It's downright outrageous."

"You mean contagious, don't you, Pop? Like the song they're singing down in Beaumont—

"There's something 'bout a union vote
Gives a man a sudden sore throat.
He's feeling okay 'til one fine day
The union comes to town to stay.
They trot out this funny new contraption
Something they call 'political action'
No slick campaign promises can make them soften
They're retired Martin Dies to his political cough-in."

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HO-HUM

We see by the newspapers we're going to vote Roosevelt into oblivion again, just as we did in 1932, '36 and '40.

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It's a deep secret, but the "bureaucrats" the newspapers want us to vote against in 1944 are the "raw dealers" we ousted on their advice in 1940 and the "boon-dogglers" we sent crashing down to defeat in 1936.

A special commission is studying the dictionaries for a word to call them in 1948.

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The Japanese government plans to publish a magazine called The Navy to "acquaint young men with the navy and other related matters," the Tokio radio says.

Better hurry up, Tojo—in a couple of months there won't be any Japanese navy!

Nosey Foxes Trapped

ALLEGAN, Mich., May 23—Inquisitiveness cancelled the liberty of two young foxes taken recently in traps at the Swan Creek Wildlife Experiment Station near here, the first foxes to be trapped in the five years the station has been operated by the conservation department.

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On The Surface

PARTY

The committee threw a little party for Bob Baer last Saturday night. Bob is soon leaving for the Navy.

We miss Tony Snyder who has been sick. Tony would appreciate a visit from the boys. Lots of luck and a quick recovery is our wish for him.

After a visit to the WLB in Cleveland, we are still waiting for a decision. Watch your bulletin boards for notice of meeting when a report will be given.

Just a reminder. Save yourself embarassement and trouble by keeping up your union dues payments.

That must have been quite a blowout at the DMF mililonnaire party a week ago.

Eddie Duck seems to have undergone a reformation. Maybe the Packard has had something to do with it. Anyhow, we don't care what he does just so ne doesn't turn off the heat in the Surface Combustion.

Chairman Thompson represented the Unit at the regional conference in Fremont last Saturday. Read the reports of the meeting in the front pages of the paper.

Union Head Backs Foremen's Right To Organize

DETROIT, May 20 (FP)—The authorized strike of 3,300 foremen in 14 Detroit war plants, which ended May 17 under strong government pressure and (it is hinted) rosy secret promises, brought forth strong clashes in opposing industrial philosophies as between management and union leaders

The hysterical argument of management, appearing in huge ads in the daily press, was that "on the eve of invasion — war production threatened by drive to unionize management!"

"If management is to be unionized, where is union control to stop?" asked the Automotive Council for War Production (management's own union).

President R. J. Thomas of the UAW instructed the UAW members not to scab on foremen's work during the strike, while at the same time respecting their own no-strike pledge. Some UAW locals put their halls at the disposal of the striking foremen.

The foremen themselves, organized in the Foremen's Association of America, describe themselves as glorified messenger boys. They feel they are sitting pretty with their nationwide Ford Motor Co. contract (wherever they have membership). It gives them regulation collective bargaining and grievance procedure, pay for time lost in bargaining, and seniority both as employes and as foremen.

The average seniority of the officers of Ford Chapter 1, FAA, is 25 years, says President W. G. Elliott of the chapter.

ILO Ends Philadelphia World Conference

PHILADELPHIA (FP) — Proposing principles of improved labor standards, economic advancement and social security for inclusion in the peace treaty, the International Labor Organization ended its 26th conference. Worker delegates went home to the various nations with the comment that chances of putting ILO recommendations into action will depend on whether it becomes part of the United Nations set-up and on whether the labor movements can develop sufficient pressure to make their governments and employers listen.

Washington Scene

By Travis K. Hedrick

WASHINGTON, May 23, (FP) —Those tureful songsters, the Almanac Singers, had a verse that ran like this:

Which side are you on
Which side are you on
Will you be a goll durn scab
Or be a union man?

All of which is a means of introducing today's theme on the men in the leadership of parts of the Democratic party who are scabbing it for the opposition.

In the May issue of The National Republican released May 16, there is some food for fruitful thought.

Who are the Republican publicity hacks using to demonstrate what they want to show the country? Professed Democrats, the men who are feeding in the public trough by virtue of their membership in the Democratic party and who publicly accepted its program and policies.

THE BOYS

First there is old Sen. Ellison D. (Cotton Ed) Smith (D. S. C.), who is quoted on Page 1 of the National GOP organ as commenting that the initials FDR have a new cannotation. According to this Democrat, FDR means "Federal Debt Raiser."

Another juicy quote is published, also on Page 1, from Rep. Louis Ludlow (D. Ind.) who attacked "bureaucracy and bureaucrats" for the part of Hoover, Dewey and Bricker.

Next in the lineup comes Rep. J. F. O'Connor (D. Mont.) who takes sharp issue with the Democratic farm policy in the Republican paper and says "I never dreamed we would send needed farm machinery to foreign countries and thus deny the needs of our own farmers."

Rep. Ludlow's little contribution was used by the national paper of the Republican party to support its big smear piece that opened with this statement: "The government of the U. S. has ceased to be a constitutional government. The theory that the government at Washington is a government 'of the people, by the people, has been abandoned.'"

Nice going for a Democratic congressman, heh? In this writer's lodge he'd be thrown out. his large white can.

Of course there are other quotes from Republicans and from the trained seals of the Republican party among the nationally read columnists who write for the daily press, 90% of which is standpat Republican in viewpint and reactionary in tone.

Which side are these gentry on?

There is a national political campaign in full swing right now. And here they are, aiding and abetting the enemy.

Free spech? That might be their word for it. In most other vocabularies the term is treason and back-biting.

There are many others the GOP writers have omitted for lack of space who do an equally efficient job for Republican party promotion. But maybe some of these are too close to be publicly exposed in the party organ.

REPUBLICANS

While on the subject of Republicans, perhaps it might not be amiss to touch up Gov. Thomas E. Dewey a little.

Arthur Sears Henning, who serves as an intellectual barman for Col. Robert R. McCormick's Chicago Tribune, has surveyed Dewey's opposition as an American Firster and Nationalist, and reported him sound. In fact, Henning recommends unanimous support by the GOP for the New York governor as its candidate against Pres. Roosevelt.

Although some of Dewey's recent utterances didn't sit so well on Col. McCormick's isolationist stomach, Henning serves some bicarbonate of soda with the thought that "many nationalists are disposed to waive their objections to the Dewey speech in the interest of the most vital objective: the defeat of the Roosevelt regime, believing that their views will prevail in the writing of the platform to which the candidate will be bound."

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Strikes To Wither Away?

WASHINGTON (FP) — A vision of the withering away of the strike as a weapon, with labor retaining the right to use it if necessary, was outlined by Research Director Marion H. Hedges of International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (AFL) at a conference on postwar problems held by the Society for the Advancement of Management.

The Acklinite

By L. MATTOX

Acklin Unit was represented at the Regional UAW-CIO conference held in Fremont, May 20. See page one of this paper for details.

There will be a meeting of the Acklin Unit, Sunday, May 28 at Local 12 headquarters. Keep up the good work of the past few meetings and lets have a good crowd. The meeting begins promptly at 2:00 p. m.

Donald Phaff is home on furlough. We were glad to see him.

We wonder why Kate Rawlins of the night shift is so popular.

We wish Stella Vinchevich, Ruth Young and Mary Szymenski who are all of sick leaves quick recoveries.

To those who are on their vacations we wish a pleasant time.

Pearl Hall who is in Michigan with her husband writes and says "hello" to all.

Who is the boy on the night shift who is passing the buck. How about getting on the beam brother.

Talking about corn, our management certainly can provide plenty of same when discussing grievances.

Anna Urbaniak is finally back to work. She found somebody to take care of her youngster. Child care is a real problem these days with a definite shortage of people who will take care of children and not a sufficiently large enough number of nurseries to handle the large number of children whose mothers are working.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

GOP Poll Tax Repeal Hit As Stalling

WASHINGTON, May 24, (FP) —The sudden move of the Republican members of the Senate introducing a constitutional amendment to repeal the poll tax provision in federal elections was hit as a stalling move May 22 by the National Committee to Abolish the Poll Tax.

Pointing out that 20 years ago a constitutional amendment to abolish child labor was passed by the congress, the committee said that in that period of 20 years the required number of states have not yet ratified it.

The situation was met, however, by passage in 1938 of the fair labor standards act which eliminated or carefully regulated child labor throughout the U. S.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

CIO Women Ask Investigation Of Women Fascists

An immediate investigation by the Department of Justice of certain fascist-minded women's groups in the United States was urged today in a letter to Attorney General Francis Biddle from Mrs. Faye Stephenson of Cleveland, president of the Congress of Women's Auxiliaries of the CIO.

The letter pointed out the close association of the leaders of such organizations as the United Mothers, The Mothers of Sons Forum, American Women Against Communism and We the Mothers Mobilize for America, Inc., with at least three of the 29 indicted seditionists now on trial in the District Court in Washington, D. C.

It pointed out that all of these organizations distribute literature aimed at creating disunity and distrust such as "Roosevelt's Jewish Ancestry," which is mentioned in the Grand Jury indictment of the 29 conspirators.

Finally the letter pointed out, that although these organizations are small today, they consist of "key women in many communities all over the country who spread the anti-war, anti-democratic propaganda of the Mother's and Women's groups through their own neighborhoods and local organizations."

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Let Congress Know

Organized labor is letting congress know it is watching the vote of members on the following:

Price Control—Senate and House bills on renewing price control act due for early introduction to keep up OPA and prevent inflation. Labor is unitedly fighting against amendments to weaken the present act.

GI Bill of Rights—House has adopted the Rankin bill filled with changes from the Senate passed version. Conference committee to attempt adjustment, with labor insisting on killing Rankin's weakening changes and his bad "open shop" clause.

Reconversion (S 1893)—Bill by Sen. Kilgore protects workers in postwar reconversion. Law rushed through senate guards only the rights of industry, omitting the human problem. Labor is writing congressmen to include S 1893 in the House version.

Forced Labor (S 1864)—This measure is regarded as far worse than the old labor draft proposal. Calls for forced labor battalions for men who leave jobs without permission. Senate Military Affairs committee has it.

The Waggin' Tongue of Local 12

BAR ROOM BITS

Evenings at the Tavern are seldom dull, something is on tap nearly every minute. The funny fellows at 12 now empty your bottle and refill it with water when you turn your back for a second. (Keep your peepers on your bottle.)

Among the intereting diversion are the Topic and the Zombie machine, for they are intended to be intereting diversion, anyway. They become just a trifle monotonous though, when you don't win any games. How about it Ed Courtier?

"Milk is unequalled for its nutritive and digestive properties. It upbuilds the young, refreshes and sustains the aged, the brain worker and the laborer. A glassful of pure, rich milk taken hot upon retiring brings refreshing sleep. Yes sir, milk is alright, but I prefer beer," says Johnnie Pawlaczyk of the Champion Unit.

TWO PARTY LINE

Cutting in on a party line we heard that the attractive Miss, who rides to work in Otto Siebert's maroon Chevy every day, is Gloria June Kruse, daughter of Harvey, a steward in Dept. 9-A. June, as she prefers to be called, serves at the Spicer Club Cafeteria.

And that your assessment has to be paid before the end of this month.

We also overheard that everytime the American Can Co. hires a number of people twice as many quit, and that the Superintendent and a few foremen are incompetent, and that their tactics and actions are detrimental to the war effort, the best interests of the company and the welfare of its employees. (We heard a great deal more about Canco and it surprises us that our members out there aren't demanding some new supervision).

DON'T ASK US

When the new steward badges will be distributed?

Why Floyd Brimacombe turns pages in his sleep while holding a book?

Where you can purchase an electric refrigerator?

Who it was that hummed sweetly into the telephone, "Take care of youself for me?"

Who was seen in front of a jewelry store inspecting a ring display (nervously) with a certain damsel who said "I like heavy rings, rings that come in pairs, rings with lotsa stones?"

Beware, take care, a pair! (rings).

Or why some people resent attending meetings before they think of the purpose, aims and outcomes of them?

EVERHOT NEWS

ALL IS QUIET

Now that everything seems quiet and running smooth again, what ever became of the petition that was signed about two years ago concerning a lunch wagon. Ain't these union guys and gals never satisfied?

At the time the petition was circulated, everybody was in favor of it. That is, everybody but the management. Now, more than ever, due to overtime, extra exertion and all that goes with additional work, it seems quite reasonable to suppose that efficiency would be increased and better feelings engendered if we could get some hot food to keep us going during the day or night.

Cold sandwiches are food, that's true, but they don't pep you up like a hot lunch.

A few months ago a slogan was placed in the plant which read, "Eat A Lunch That Packs A Punch." There is nothing that helps that old punch like hot chow. Don't you think so Mr. Management? That makes it practically unanimous.

How about trying out the idea and seeing what will happen. After all, if it doesn't help you can always change your mind about it, that is, if you can see where it doesn't help.

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MATHER Mutterings

By Jim Foltz.

Somewhere in action my son Bob died, one week ago today. Fighting for his country. His more life snuffed out. His mains not recovered. He was great kid and rates these few lines in our column. Thanks for the sympathy, fellows.

Eighty-four money orders mailed this month at an expenditure of $434.25. The Mather Spring Co. pays dollar for dollar with we men into the monthly M O. Fund for our service men. I believe the management would appreciate acknowledgement of this fact . It is one of the very few firms in this part of the country which does so.

John Roscoe ,inspection foreman, rates a line of praise for the interest he is showing in our boys in the armed forces. He has a bulletin board placed on the wall in his office with pictures and addresses of our service men. See the board and contact the boys by mail.

Charles (Sills) Kucinski, home on furlough from Brooks Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. Looking fit as a fiddle and ready to go, visited throughout the shop. His wife, waiting outside, had the guard call in to say if he did not come out she would be in after him. She still wears the pants ,eh, Charlie, even though they are made of khaki?

Who sent Hugh Morin that Mother's Day card when the only thing he ever mothered was a litter of Irish setters? For shame!

Which gentleman was taken from his car on the corner of Lagrange and Bancroft a few Saturday evenings ago? Walked home with a police escort, why?

Which committeeman, speaking to the Unit assembly, called E. Hite brother? Firmly recalled that bit of conversation but shall we condole with or condone this party?

They Took A Tip From Grandma!

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